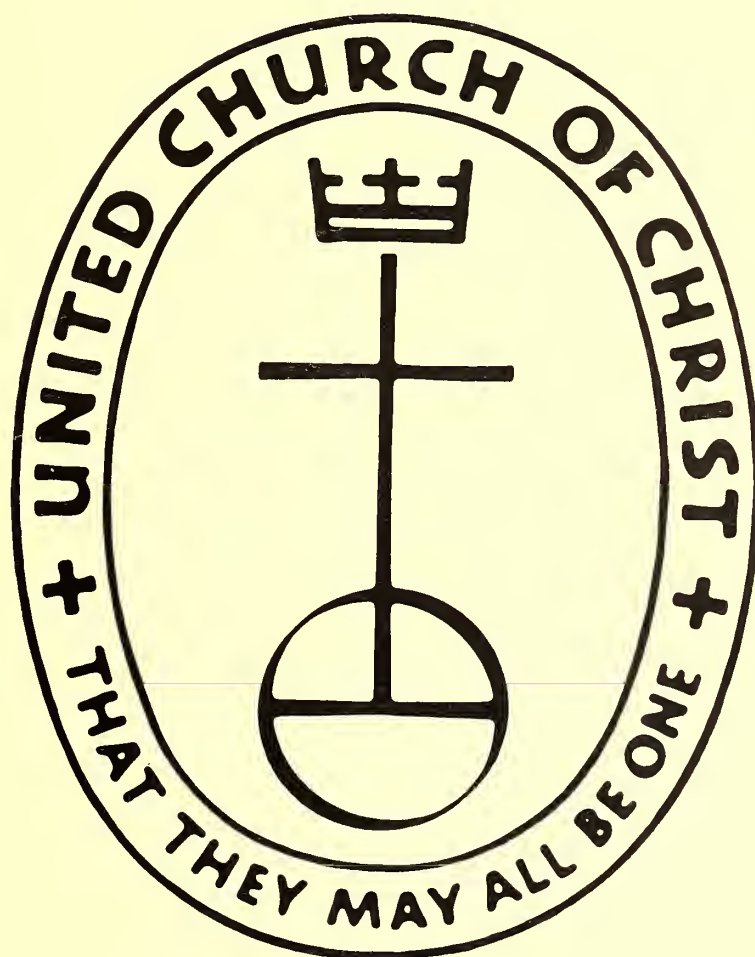


# POPES CHAPEL



# HISTORY



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# Popes Chapel History

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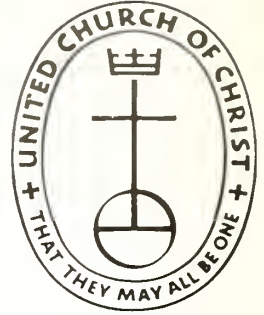
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## Dedication

This booklet is dedicated in loving memory to our departed brothers and sisters in Christ who have worked for the growth and survival of the church through the years and to the future members who will carry on the Lord's work.

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The emblem of the United Church of Christ is based on the ancient Christian symbol known as the Cross of Victory or the Cross Triumphant.

Traditionally, this symbol -- the cross surmounted by the crown and all of it atop the orb--signifies the kingship of the Risen Christ over all the world. The orb, representing the world, is divided into three parts to signify the command of our Lord to his disciples: "You shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth."

For the United Church of Christ this emblem, rich in the traditions of the past and alive with hope for the future, is particularly appropriate. For this reason, there appear on the perimeter of the emblem both the name of the church and the text: "That they may all be one."

## What Our Name Signifies

The United Church of Christ is a *united* and a *uniting* church. Each of the communions which came together to form the United Church of Christ in 1957 had itself come into being through the union of two denominations. Therefore church union and Christian unity are in the very bloodstream of our people.

The United Church is a church of *Christ*. We believe that we are called to carry out his mission in the world today. Wherever there are people without the gospel, wherever there are people in need, wherever there is injustice, strife, hatred, and greed--there the United Church of Christ is bound by its Lord to bear witness, to serve, to help, to reconcile, to rebuild. We belong to *Christ* and we must follow where he leads.

The United Church of Christ is a *free* church and a *responsible* church. No one dictates to a local church concerning the decisions it makes. Freedom is guaranteed. But it is "freedom in the gospel" and assumes that every corporate body within the church, whether a local church or a conference of the General Synod, will make its decisions in the light of the gospel and out of a sense of responsibility to the whole fellowship.

The United Church of Christ is a church *of the people*. The church is not the clergy, nor is it the organization at the regional or national levels; nor is it the officers or boards, commissioners or councils, though all play their important and indispensable parts. The church is *people* gathered for worship, work, and witness. The local and regional mission and the wider mission to the nation and the world through the instrumentalities of the denomination are made possible by the response of persons to the task and witness entrusted to us together as *people* of God.

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# Statement of Faith

We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father, and to his deeds we testify:

He calls the worlds into being,  
creates man in his own image  
and sets before him the ways of life and death.

He seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

He judges men and nations by his righteous will  
declared through prophets and apostles.

In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord,  
he has come to us  
and shared our common lot,  
conquering sin and death  
and reconciling the world to himself.

He bestows upon us his Holy Spirit,  
creating and renewing the Church of Jesus Christ,  
binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and  
races.

He calls us into his Church  
to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,  
to be his servants in the service of men,  
to proclaim the gospel to all the world  
and resist the powers of evil,  
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,  
to join him in his passion and victory.

He promises to all who trust him  
forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace,  
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,  
his presence in trial and rejoicing,  
and eternal life in his kingdom which has no end.

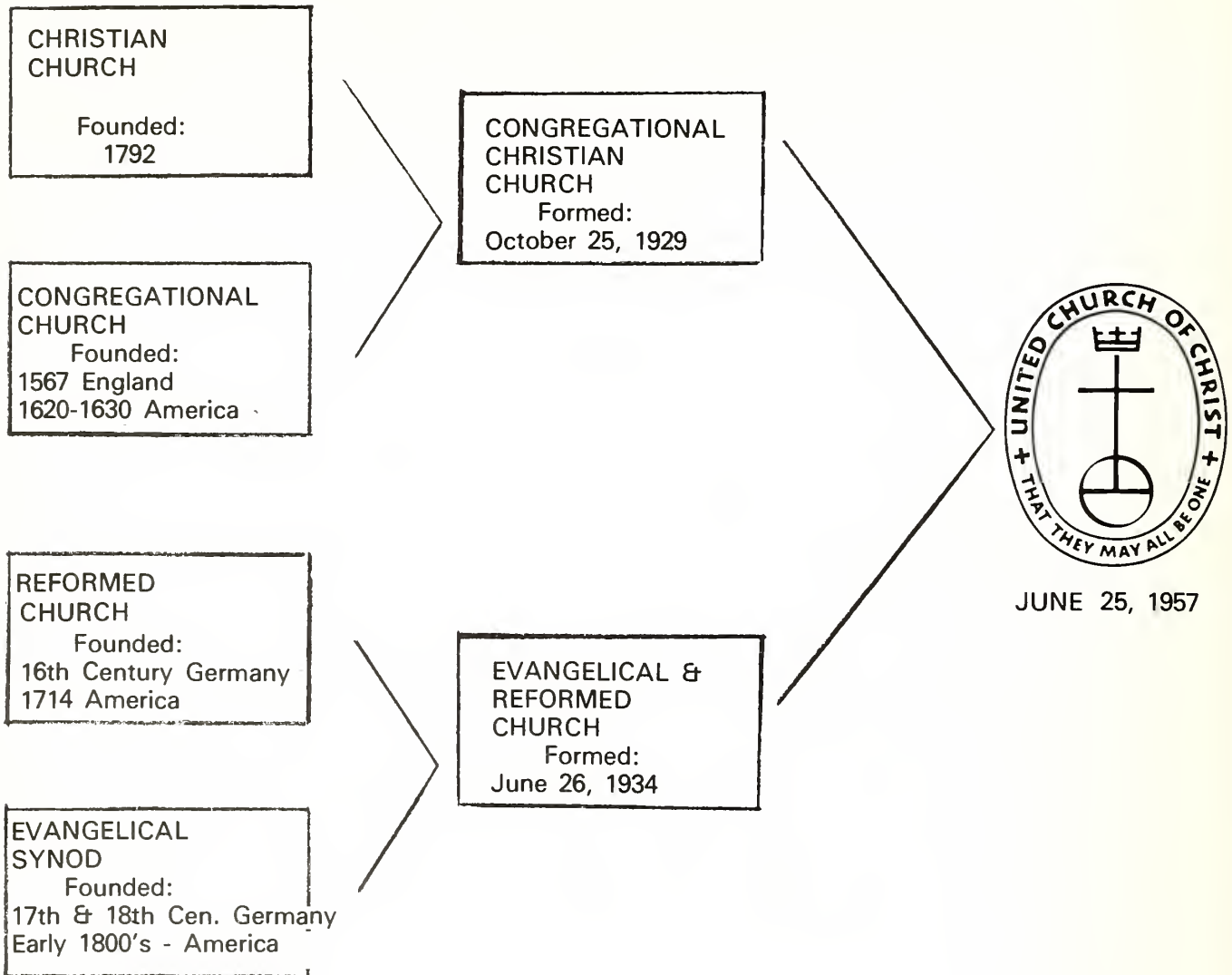
Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto him. Amen.

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# History of the United Church

The United Church of Christ is one of the youngest denominations in America; however, the churches that united to form this denomination possess a history dating back to 16th century Europe.



## Christian Church

There were three movements in the Christian Church: North Carolina in 1792, New England in 1801, and Kentucky in 1804. Each movement spread, and by 1808 all three began to work as one. They took the name 'Christian' for their church since all three divisions believed independently "that followers of Christ should accept no sectarian labels." As early as 1817 New Bedford, Massachusetts, was the scene for the church's general convention. Then in 1820 Christians organized the United States Convention, which was successively the American Christian Convention and the Convention of the Christian Church.

One of the first projects of the Church was printing pamphlets, books and periodicals. The denomination's other interest lay in educational opportunities for women, in co-educational colleges, in an educated clergy and laity, in overseas and frontier missions. They were also anti-slavery.

The church's goal was summarized in the following statement: "The purpose of this church will be consummated in the reformation of the world and the union of all Christians."

## Congregational Church

The congregational movement began as early as 1567 during the later period of the English Reformation and became dominant in colonial and 19th century America. The Pilgrims from the Mayflower, who settled Plymouth in 1620 and the Puritans, who settled Salem in 1630, began American Congregationalism when "the right hand of fellowship was extended between the two groups."

Congregationalism was a direct spiritual descendant of Calvinism, but from its beginning it was enlivened by a "spirit of inquiry" that resulted not only in the founding of educational institutions such as Harvard and Yale but also in the acceptance of advanced thought and a strong social concern.

The Congregationalists were always missionary minded beginning with the Pilgrims concern for the Indians. Then as people moved westward, the Congregationalist became concerned with the spiritual conditions of the frontier settlers. Their concern later spread to foreign ports where missionaries were sent to teach the gospel.

In 1888 the Congregational Church united with about one third of the Congregational Methodist Churches, a group in the South, who had given up the episcopal system. The church then united in 1925 with the Evangelical Protestants, a liberal group of German extraction centering in the Ohio Valley. In 1929 the General Convention of Christian Churches united to form the General Council of Congregational Christian Churches.

## Congregational Christian Church

In 1924 a unity commission was organized, and it contacted twenty-four denominations that might be interested in Church union. Eleven responded, but only three manifested real interest. The first conference was held at Toledo, Ohio, on June 17, 1926. Finally, after several meetings two denominations, the Congregational Churches and the Christian Churches, by vote of the National Council at Detroit, Michigan, on May 30, 1929, and by the General Convention at Piqua, Ohio, on October 25, 1929, united to form the Congregational Christian Church.

## Evangelical Synod

A number of events in Germany during the 17th and 18th centuries had a tremendous influence on the Evangelical pioneers. Because of bad conditions in Germany in the early 1800's many of these people began to migrate to America. Numerous immigrants settled near the Atlantic ports while others traveled on to the

midwestern states with St. Louis serving as their base of operation.

Because of the Evangelical Synod's German pietism heritage, the church took seriously its responsibilities to provide for orphans, aged, invalids and underprivileged. Hospitals, orphanages, deaconess homes, homes for the aged and other projects launched.

The General Conference and its president were the chief governmental body of the Synod. In doctrine the church followed the Angsbury Confession, Luther's Catechism, and the Heidelberg Catechism. Wherever these three clashed, the church government stated: "We adhere strictly to the passage of the Holy Scriptures bearing on the subject, and avail ourselves of the liberty of conscience prevailing in the Evangelical Church."

## Reformed Church

The Reformed Church in the United States can trace its heritage back to the Swiss-German reforms of the 16th century throughout Germany and Central Europe.

After many hardships in their country, the German Reformed people began to look toward the New World. The Reformed Church in the United States, therefore, began with these German immigrants from the Palatinate region, who settled across a large area of the eastern section of the United States, as far north as New York and as far south as North Carolina.

Wherever the German Reformed people settled, they organized religious services. The church continued to grow and extended its influence westward and into lands across the sea.

In 1934, the church had grown into six Synods (Councils of Churches): Eastern, Potomac, Pittsburgs, Ohio, Midwest and Northwest.

## Evangelical and Reformed Church

The Evangelical Synod of North America and the Reformed Church in the United States merged June 26, 1934, to form the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

The united church recognized two sacraments, the Lord's Supper and Baptism. It accepted as its holy rites the acts of marriage, confirmation, burial, ordination of ministers, and consecration.

The church stated that its doctrinal standards were the Heidelberg Catechism, Luther's Catechism, and Augsburg Confession, and they stressed that "the final norm was the word of God."

## The United Church of Christ

The union of the Congregational Christian Church and the Evangelical and Reformed Church was consummated in Cleveland, Ohio, June 25-27, 1957. In addition to the declaration of union, various commissions were appointed to prepare a constitution and a statement of faith and to take care of the many necessary organizational responsibilities.

In 1959 at Oberlin, Ohio, action was taken to submit the first draft of the constitution to the church for study. The General Synod also approved a statement of faith. At the Third General Synod meeting in Philadelphia, July 3-7, 1961, the constitution and by-laws were adopted and put into force. Thus, the United Church of Christ was organized.



# History of Popes Chapel

The exact year Popes Chapel was founded has not been established; however, it is believed that the church originated when members of the community gathered to worship in a bush arbor at Longs Pond (the present site of the Franklinton City Reservoir). The Reverend Tommy Cooke conducted these services.

To be more centrally located, the worshipers then moved their meeting place to a spot (the present site of the church, three miles west of Franklinton, North Carolina, on Pocomoke Road in Franklin County) owned by Captain Pope, an outstanding member of the group. Here, they worked together to erect their first preaching house (believed to have been built of logs). Later, Captain Pope gave this land, on which the church was located, to the adherents; thus the church received its name from its land donor.

During these early years circuit preachers traveled throughout the colonies, including North Carolina. It was during these circuit rides that Francis Asbury conducted services at Popes Wesleyan Society meeting house. Asbury, who later became the first Methodist bishop, came from England "as a Missionary to the societies in the American forest."

The following notes, taken from the *Journal and Letters of Francis Asbury*, prove that the church was in existence as early as 1780:

## MAY 13, 1780 - THURSDAY

Rode to the chapel: had an insensible people, full of the spirit of the world. I laboured hard to preach on Luke xiii, 23-25. Then rode to Captain Pope's, I am distressed with the troubles of the times; and hear there are great commotions. I went to the preaching house, and poured out my soul to God for sometime in the evening--my heart found rest, and felt power to trust God with my all. O! why dost my cowardly flesh complain?

FRIDAY, 14. God was with me; I was comforted with brother Pope, a lame, wise, and pious man; he has built a preaching house almost himself. Who can tell what a man may do under divine assistance? He makes a few cards, teaches a few children, and says he lives as well as ever he did in his life. I was much comforted at the preaching house this morning. I suffered much for want of place of retirement; I cannot go into the woods, there are so many ticks, chiegos (chiggers), and such insects at this season upon the ground; retired at six o'clock to the chapel; it has been a bethel to me: my day of fasting and humiliation has been blest to my soul.

SATURDAY, 15. After spending some time in the chapel alone, I set out to Paschal's, about six o'clock; I came in before twelve, I spoke very close and plain on Acts xxvi, 18, to about thirty people, and had but little faith for them. Rode to B. Hartsfield's, about twenty miles, much fatigued with the badness of the road.

## MARCH 7, 1784 - SUNDAY.

Although the day was unfavourable, many attended at Pope's chapel, where I was wonderfully assisted, and enabled to be close on 2 Cor. xiii, 5--a favourite subject. We had a short, simple, living love feast.

MONDAY, 8. I enlarged on Isa. IV, 6, 7, at Pope's Chapel. This neighborhood has been poisoned by preaching Anti-nomianism; but I hope it will yet come to something.

MAY 29, 1788 - THURSDAY. Reached Edmund Taylor's about two o'clock and gave a short discourse on "Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help." Thence to Pope's to Green Hill's, to Long's, and to Jones's chapel: on our way to the latter place we got out of our route when within a mile of the chapel, and did not reach it till two o'clock. (Edmund Taylor lived in Granville County).

## JANUARY 17, 18, 1789 - SATURDAY & SUNDAY.

.... We had a shaking time at Hill's; a sweet love fest and sacrament. Thence went to Pope's chapel; I came to G's.

JANUARY 17, 1790.

"On the seventeenth (January, 1790) the party rode to Pope's Chapel, where Asbury preached. Whatcoat and Bruce rode with James Lester. On the eighteenth they proceeded to Bruce's ....."

Elmer T. Clark, editor, *The Journal and Letters of Francis Asbury*, Epworth and Abingdon, 1958, Vol. I, pp. 366, 458, 573, 590, 621.

Rev. William Ormond was a member of the Tar River Circuit from July 10, 1791, until December 12, 1792. While serving in this position, he preached at Popes Chapel on several occasions. From *William Ormond Jr.'s Journal* (diary) were found the following entries:

AUGUST 19, 1791 - FRIDAY

I came to Popes preaching house. Had about 15 hearers and I preached from Luke XII 32. Bro Jackson come and we start for Bro Whitfields.

SEPTEMBER 23, 1791 - FRIDAY

I preached at Popes preaching house on John XIX 5.

OCTOBER 28, 1791 - FRIDAY

I come to Popes preaching house and preached from Psalms XV and tarried at friend Popes.

NOVEMBER 10, 1791 - THURSDAY

I came to Popes preaching house and meet Bro Cannon and Bro Hine.

DECEMBER 2, 1791 - FRIDAY

I take my leave here and start for Popes. Come and meet Bro Bowen and I preached from Timothy III, 16 and after settling a dispute between A. P. and I. W. we came to Bro Whitfields.

Additional information about the early church and James O'Kelly was found in the book, *The Life of Rev. James O'Kelly*, located in Elon College's Church History Room.

From a sketch of Popes Chapel we find that it was first a Wesleyan Society meeting house, and of course when the Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in 1784 it became Methodist, and when the succession of 1792 took place it seceded with Mr. O'Kelly, and became a Christian Church. It is more than likely that Mr. O'Kelly organized the Christian church at that place, and may have been the regular pastor for some time. He had preached there before the succession, and often he and Mr. Asbury had held meetings there together.

O'Kelly began to preach, not as a Methodist, as we know that denomination, but as an Episcopalian, and a member of John Wesley's societies, pleading for a purer and higher religious life than was generally taught from the Established pulpit. Preachers of this class usually met with much opposition, and as time went on the relations between the Established Church and the Wesleyan societies became more and more strained, and after the close of the Revolutionary War, all saw that it was only a question of time when the two would separate. As we have seen, Mr. O'Kelly was credited with having joined "Asbury's Ironsides" in 1778, and from that time we have a fairly good record of him, and his work, in the Methodist Conference of Virginia, until the year 1792, when he withdrew from the ranks of Methodism and began to organize the Christian Church.

In compiling the history of Popes Chapel we felt no words could adequately express the past as well as excerpts taken from the actual minutes that were written at the church meetings. We are listing dates and action taken by the church.

No minutes were available for 1847, but we find on page 369 in *The Centennial of Religious Journalism* the following information.:

The Southern Christian Association, become now the Southern Christian Convention, was organized in 1847, at Good Hope, Granville County, N. C. Elder Kerr was present at this meeting as a delegate from his conference and at its session for that year, which convened at Pope's Chapel, Granville County, N. C., he announced to the conference, which had commissioned him in 1846 to attend the Southern Christian Association as one of its representatives, that he had attended in that capacity and had transferred to that body the *Christian Sun*, he himself remaining its editor. And so the *Christian Sun*, from being the organ of a conference, became the mouthpiece of the group of conferences composing the Southern Christian Convention.

1858 Conference held at Popes

At the 1858 meeting held at Pope's Chapel, Granville County, North Carolina, the treasurer reported collections for the year of \$152.98, with expenditures of \$98.32, leaving a balance on hand of \$516.89. A committee was appointed "to consider the propriety of the union of the Society with the Southern Home Missionary Society, and report at the next meeting," but, inasmuch as the minutes of the 1859 session have not been found, the results of this motion is unknown.

From: *A History of the Christian Church in the South* By Durward T. Stokes and William T. Scott

JANUARY 23, 1858 Elder Bragg in chair  
Standing Committee made report on case of (male) - He was expelled for immoral conduct.

MARCH 5, 1863 Elder J. N. Manning in chair  
Bro M. C. Winston unanimously elected Secretary  
Bro Willie Pierce elected Treasurer  
Bro Crawford Sanderlin and Robert A. Jones elected to Standing Committee

APRIL 24, 1863 Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair  
Chairman called list of membership and passed on to Committee to check why they had been so long from church  
Reports requested from Committees  
Bros M. C. Winston, R. A. Jones, Usry, Sisters Rosy Jones, Elizabeth Winston and Nancy Haswell appointed to a Committee to raise a church fund

AUGUST 26, 1865  
Three names dropped from roll  
(female) expelled  
(female) referred to Special Committee composed of Bros W. Pearce, E. Grisom and R. A. Jones, and they requested to report at next quarterly meeting  
Bro Joseph C. Williams appointed Sexton  
Delegates selected to attend Conference to be held at Oak Level  
W. Pearce, E. Grisom and J. C. Usry appointed to Standing Committee of Church

MAY 20, 1866 Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair  
On motion - There was preamble and resolution adopted:  
Whereas a custom now prevails at all the Social collections of young persons of music and dancing, and we as a church regard it injurious Spiritually to the young converts and a bad influence in a community and as the outside would regard it Sinful. So we as a church regard it morally wrong therefore be it resolved that it will be considered as violation of the rules of the church at Popes Chapel to be engage in dancing whether in its original or modified form  
2. We conceive it to be "rong" and a violation of the rules of the church to admit of the Fiddle "plaid" in the house of any member of the church knowing it to be danced after  
3. And resolve that it is and will be considered morally "rong" for a member of the church to engage in any play after the Fiddle let it be by what ever name it may be.....  
Resolve we now adjoin until Friday before the next fourth Sunday-



JUNE 22, 1866

Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

Proceeded to its examination of the membership and assessment  
(male) allowed to withdraw from the church  
Sister Lucinda Jones added to Committee on Assessment of the church

NOVEMBER 24, 1866

Delegates to the District meeting and Annual Conference called on for reports

NOVEMBER 24, 1866 (continued)

Committee to assess the membership appointed - Namely R. A. Jones, M. C. Winston, Flutcher Carson, Sister Lucinda Jones, Eliz Homes, Sue Levister  
Treasurer reported \$46.00 paid to Pastor

FEBRUARY 23, 1867

Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

Committee of Assessment made their report of assessment - Report is \$158.00 of which \$97.00 is to pay the pastor for the present year  
Treasurer exhibited his book for examination  
Pastor gave notice to the church that all dancing members would be "delt with" at the May quarterly meeting

AUGUST 24, 1867

Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

Committee made report on standing of members whose names were handed them at the last meeting  
Sisters Lucinda Jones and Amanda House were appointed to see (female) and request her to attend next meeting  
(male) suspended until accessible  
(male) dropped from the records

NOVEMBER 23, 1867

Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

Resolve that each member of the church be requested to attend the quarterly meeting and those failing to attend three quarterly meetings in succession will be in the hands of the Standing Committee  
Committee appointed to make assessment for the insuing year - M. C. Winston, J. C. Usry, Willey Winston  
Sisters Rose Jones, Lucinda Jones and Mary Jones

FEBRUARY 22, 1868

Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

(female) and (female) expelled on motion  
Bro T. A. Cook was licensed as a probational in the church to exercise his gifts and graces among us

MAY 22, 1868

Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

On motion of Bro S. C. Blackley requested (female and (female) names be erased from the church records for dancing but the motion was lost and the case continued

JANUARY 27, 1868

Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

(female) removed from church records

SEPTEMBER 26, 1868

Call Meeting Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

(female) expelled  
Wiley P. Winston and N. C. Winston delegates to District meeting to convene at Oak Level  
Tuesday to be set apart for election of additional deacon

SEPTEMBER 29, 1868

Wiley P. Winston elected deacon - Fourth Sunday in October set apart for his ordination  
M. C. Winston, R. A. Jones & Henry May elected as delegates to Annual Conference to meet with church at Salom Chappel, Forsith County

FEBRUARY 1869

On motion - Absentees names marked  
Committee to assess church to meet expenses was appointed: M. C. Winston, W. P. Winston, Labon



Catlett, Rosy Jones, Virginia Jones, Mary Tharrington, Lana Wright  
(male) name handed Committee for non attendance

FEBRUARY 1870

Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

Treasurer reported \$52.00 paid leaving balance of \$50.00 due  
name turned in on charge of dancing

FEBRUARY 25, 1871

Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

Paid pastor \$48.80 for the year 1870

Paid for Conference \$2.00

Paid Convention Fund \$1.50

Balance on Hand \$2.50

(male) expelled

MAY 27, 1871

Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

Treasurers report approved

(female) expelled

FEBRUARY 24, 1872

Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair

Call the list of membership then proceed to assess

Treasurer report

Elect Conference delegates

On motion, J. C. Usry, J. M. Winston, Henry May elected Collectors

MARCH 1873

Same as 1872 - No special events

No minutes available in this period

NOVEMBER 21, 1875

Dedication of Pope's Chapel

\*From Rev. J. W. Wellons message: "The Christian Church and congregation at present worshipping here, seeing their old house of worship crumbling with age, and becoming unsightly and uncomfortable, conceived the idea of erecting a new and more beautiful house for the Lord, and for their comfort in worship and work for Him. Their labors have been blessed, and the purpose of their hearts have been crowned with success, and here stands a new and beautiful house, and this opening service has been arranged for the purpose of solemnly consecrating it to God, and all the holy objects contemplated in its erection."

\*First service held in the present sanctuary.

See sermon page 49.

AUGUST 24, 1878

Rev. J. W. Holt in chair

Bro Holt requested to call in his appointment in order to accept invitation to preach at Wesleys Chapel M. E. Church

SEPTEMBER 25, 1878

Rev. J. W. Holt

Instructed delegates while in Conference attendance to secure *if possible* services of Rev. J. W. Holt as pastor for approaching conference year and pledge him in behalf of this church the sum of \$100.00 and as much more as we may be able to raise. Delegates: M. C. Winston, George D. Kearney, Wesley R. Jones, G. C. Blackley, alternate

OCTOBER 26, 1878

J. W. Holt

Motion that arrangements might be made for the prompt payment of balance due Bro Holt on salary as pastor. Bro Holt had received \$89.65 leaving a balance due of \$10.35.

Bro K. D. Holmes tendered his resignation as Secretary of the Church

Robert L. Heflin elected secretary

FEBRUARY 22, 1879

J. W. Holt

Bro Holt reported balance due on his salary had been paid

Deacons were requested to visit and talk to (male) on subject of his unchristian walk and report at next quarterly meeting

B. W. Clapton and S. W. Jones appointed as Special Committee to see (male) with reference to his reported use of intoxicating liquor and report at next quarterly Conference

Bro M. C. Winston elected Collector and Treasurer

Transfer of Bro. M. L. Winston creates a vacancy in the office of deacon

MAY 24, 1879 (2:00 PM)

J. W. Holt

Committees on cases of liquor and unchristian walk reported they performed their duty - the brethen confessed the charges and claimed to be truly penitent and desired the church bear with them and not cut them off

Report adopted and brethen retained as members (male) admitted the charges against him and desired his name be taken from the roll

Collector reported salary paid Bro Holt \$13.50

(female) was ordered dropped from the roll for non attendance for 15 years

On motion - Ordered Deacons of this church confer with Officials of the Colored church with reference to its immediate removal - Report at next conference

AUGUST 22, 1879

J. W. Holt

Bro. Calvin Winston appointed Committee to correspond with (female) to ascertain whether she had joined M. E. Church South

W. J. Winston, M. C. Winston and J. J. Morton elected to meet representatives from Oak Level, Good Hope and Liberty Hill for purpose of electing pastor for four churches.

Church gave Bro. M. L. Winston letter of recommendation for ordination

The Hour for preaching on Saturday hereafter to be 11:00 AM

SEPTEMBER 29, 1879

J. W. Holt

Bro James H. Harris elected deacon

Delegates to Annual Conference: W. R. Jones, M. C. Winston, Joseph Harris with Allen Catlette and John House alternates

NOVEMBER 22, 1879

Rev. D. F. Jones in chair

Sister M. E. Cates elected Secretary

FEBRUARY 21, 1880

Rev. D. F. Jones

Bro M. C. Winston elected Treasurer and Collector

Pastor requested to write Obituary of Sister Elizabeth H. Harris and send to the *Christian Sun* for publication

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## OBITUARY

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Near Pope's Chapel, in Franklin county, N. C., our sister Elizabeth H. Harris, wife of James H. Harris, departed this life on the 21st day of February 1880, aged 37 years, 8 months and 16 days.

Our dear sister has been a consistent member of Pope's Chapel, Christian Church for many years; having joined before she was grown. She became the wife of our brother, before mentioned, December 5th, 1867. After she had been married about 4 years, disease laid hold upon her and ever since she has suffered greatly. But she patiently endured her long affliction, and with Christian fortitude bore intense agony, from time to time. Her neighbors testify to the fact above stated, and some were constrained to say "that she was the best woman they ever knew." As to death, he had no terrors for her; she had long been ready, and by God's grace was waiting for him to carry her away to that world, where sin, suffering and death itself can never come.

She leaves behind her a husband, one child, a boy about 10 years old, her other child being dead, mother and father with many other mourning friends. Our loss of one so Christlike, is her gain, for she is now at rest awaiting the glorious resurrection, when she, with all the redeemed, shall be forever with the Lord, clothed with glorified bodies like unto His glorious body.

D.E.J.

By order of Pope's Chapel Christian Church.

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(NOTE: This obituary was the type used during this century and was standard procedure for the church upon the death of a member)

MAY 22, 1880

Moved and seconded that (male) and (female), who requested their names be dropped sometime ago, be dropped

JUNE 26, 1880

Rev. D. F. Jones in chair

(male) dropped from roll in accordance with his own desire - he thinking himself not Christian

AUGUST 21, 1880

Rev. D. F. Jones

Paid pastor \$14.00

Paid Convention Funds \$6.62

(female) expelled for bad conduct - M. C. Winston appointed to notify her of our decision

W. C. Winston and G. D. Kearney appointed delegates to District Conference

Alternates: John House and Wiley Winston

NOVEMBER 1880

Rev. D. F. Jones

W. C. Winston appointed Collector and Treasurer

M. C. Winston and Bro. Weathers chosen to work with missionary and attend to having the grave yard fenced

Treasurer report - \$80.00

MAY 11, 1881

Rev. D. F. Jones

Treasurers report was \$4.00

SEPTEMBER 26, 1881

Rev. D. F. Jones

15 members present

Paid to pastor - \$7.00

On motion - Rev. W. G. Clemente invited to a seat as a deliberation member

G. Kearney, M. C. Winston and Rev. J. W. Wellons delegates to Pastorate Meeting

W. C. Winston, J. Harris and W. R. Jones delegates to Annual Conference to be held at Catawba Springs, Wake County

NOVEMBER 1881

12 members present

Treasurer reported \$4.45

Convention Funds \$ .70

Conference Funds \$ .30

Missions \$2.40

FEBRUARY 1882

On motion, M. L. Winston and Apple chosen as "deliberately" members

Treasurer reported \$11.00

Preamble and resolution adopted with copy to *Christian Sun*

Bro D. F. Jones moved that deaths of Bro William Holmes, Cathrin Horton, Helen Ball be sent to *Christian Sun* for publication

Requested the Committee of the grave yard make full report at next meeting

MAY 1882  
No business

OCTOBER 1882 Call Meeting  
Election of delegates to Conference to be held at Oak Level: M. C. Winston, George Kearney, James Harris, John House, James Weathers  
A. L. Allen resigned as treasurer  
J. W. House elected as treasurer

NOVEMBER 1882 Rev. D. F. Jones in chair  
Bro Willie Holmes elected Sexton  
Committee requested to hand over surplus money to treasurer and make final report

FEBRUARY 1883 Rev. J. W. Wellons in chair  
Bro Allen ordered to pay over to educational board our quota of the funds  
Secretary ordered to pay over to pastor amount collected for this quarterly meeting  
A. J. Morton elected to attend next District meeting

AUGUST 24, 1883 Rev. J. W. Wellons  
On Motion (male) name dropped  
Moved (male) be permitted to remain a member of the church until regular meeting in February  
Name of James Cates dropped by his request  
Decided to elect another deacon at regular Conference in November  
Following elected to get up money for painting the church: Rev. James W. Wellons, M. C. Winston, Amanda Holmes, Lucinda Jones  
Bros. Catlett and House put in nomination

OCTOBER 1883 Rev. A. Apple in chair  
Election of a secretary on removal of the present secretary to a distance preventing regular attendance - Louie J. Williams duly elected  
A. B. Cooke (one of Committee on the grave yard) submitted his report of which the following is a condensed statement

Amount received by Bro Cooke

From D. F. Jones	\$ .50	
From Mrs. Griffin	1.00	
For Bale of Cotton	47.04	
From Mr. James Weathers	15.00	\$63.54
	<u>\$63.54</u>	-45.32
Paid for wire	16.50	\$18.22
Paid for wire	23.45	
Paid for Post	5.37	
	<u>\$45.32</u>	

Leaving Sum \$18.22 still due church from Mr. Cooke

OCTOBER 1883 (Continued)  
Mrs. Lucinda Jones-one chosen to collect funds for painting - reported \$1.85 collected for paint  
Mrs. R. R. Holmes reported \$23.05 collected  
Bro Winston and Cattlett nominated to attend Conference  
J. W. House elected deacon and ordained by Rev. J. W. Wellons and Rev. A. Apple

DECEMBER 22, 1883 Rev. P. T. Klapp in chair  
Committee for assessing membership: Bro M. C. Winston, John House, and Geo Catlett, Sisters Jones, Holmes and House

FEBRUARY 23, 1884 Rev. P. T. Klapp  
Bros. M. C. Winston, J. W. House and Sister Lucinda Jones asked to revise roll  
(male) name removed at this request and secretary directed to notify him



Bro James Harris begged leave to resign his office as Collector - resignation accepted  
Committee of Collectors: Geo Catlett, John House and Geo Kearney with M. C. Winston chairman  
A resolution was adopted that for the ensuing year the pastors' salary be paid quarterly

MAY 24, 1884

Rev. P. T. Klapp

(male) and (male) names erased from the roll  
On motion, Bro James Harris requested to see (male) and inform him of the charge of profanity and unchristian walk brought against him and request his attendance at next quarterly meeting  
(male) asked leave to confess his wrong to the church and ask their forgiveness for offense - Granted  
Sisters Lucinda Jones and Amanda Holmes appointed agents to work for subscribers to the *Christian Sun*  
Necessity of a prayer meeting - scheduled first Sunday in June to continue indefinitely  
Pastor paid \$29.00

AUGUST 1884

J. W. Wellons

Proceedings of last meeting relating to erasing of (male) name from records was ordered to be struck from the record  
(male) confessed charges brought against him and asked forgiveness - granted

FEBRUARY 21, 1885

Rev. P. T. Klapp

On motion church agreed to pay pastor \$125.00 with all over amount named that may be collected  
Treasurer reported \$16.50 collected which was turned over to pastor  
Collectors: M. C. Winston, J. W. House, A. J. Morton, Lucy Jones, Louie Williams  
M. C. Winston elected treasurer

MAY 1885

On motion - Territory embracing membership of church was divided into two division and pastor appointed following brethren to hold prayer meetings in said division and report at each quarterly meeting apparent good resulting - A. J. Morton, J. W. House and M. C. Winston  
Appointed as agents for *The Christian Sun*: M. C. Winston, A. J. Morton, Geo Catlett  
A motion to take up 10 cents per member

AUGUST 22, 1885

P. T. Klapp

Secretary ordered to inform (male) of the censure in church against himself and inform him to be present at next meeting  
Three new names taken for *Christian Sun*

NOVEMBER 1885

Rev. P. T. Klapp

Pastor had received \$125.00 for the year ending in November  
Committee appointed to revise the roll - Rev. J. W. Wellons, M. C. Winston, R. R. Holmes, J. W. House, Wiley Holmes, Geo Catlett, Davis Gupton, Jane Wright, Louisa Levister, Lucinda Jones

FEBRUARY 1886

Rev. P. T. Klapp

On motion charges preferred against (male) for an unchristian walk like deportment and (male) for theft. Secretary ordered to notify them and request their attendance at the next meeting  
Services were changed to 2:00 PM on Saturday and 11:00 AM on Sunday  
Bro A. L. Allen elected treasurer

MAY 23, 1886

Rev. J. W. Wellons

The case against (male) for unchristian like deportment brought forward and his name with that of his wife was dropped from church roll  
Motion by J. W. House that Rev. J. W. Wellons be paid for painting of the church

OCTOBER 1886

The case of (male) charged with theft: a motion his name be stricked from the roll  
R. R. Holmes and C. R. Black elected as delegate to Conference  
Rev. P. T. Klapp elected pastor for ensuing year with additional sum of \$25.00 on salary

JANUARY 1887

A. L. Allen elected Treasurer

R. R. Holmes, James Harris, J. W. House and G. D. Kearney elected Collectors

R. R. Holmes, J. W. House, Junius Hight and James Harris appointed to run the line to a whiskey den supposed to be within our incorporation

On motion church decided to petition the Legislature for a larger incorporation

Brothers Holmes, House, Catlett and Harris appointed as Assessing Committee \$16.00 paid on pastors' salary

APRIL 1887

Rev. P. T. Klapp

Bro R. R. Holmes and Geo Fuller appointed to further notify (male) that he was trespassing on our limits and that if he continued the church intended taking immediate action

Pastor paid \$46.50

JANUARY 27, 1888

Rev. J. W. Wellons

On motion of J. W. House - Church decided to have a Finance Committee

Church granted (female) a letter to correct herself with church at Oak Level

Church granted Bro Henry May and wife a certificate of their standing in the church at the time they left the community

OCTOBER 28, 1888

Rev. J. W. Wellons

Treasurer ordered to pay \$2.50 for church Extension and Contingent Fund

Balance in hand of collections - \$1.93 to Home Mission Fund

NOVEMBER 24, 1888

Finance Committee appointed by pastor - A. L. Allen, R. R. Holmes, J. H. Harris, Thomas Brinkley, J. W. House and J. A. Morton

FEBRUARY 1889

Rev. J. W. Wellons

Ordered to pay to Educational Board our quota

Bro A. L. Allen resigned as treasurer - J. W. House elected

A. J. Morton elected to attend next District Meeting

APRIL 1889

Rev. J. W. Wellons

Treasurer reported \$1.36 in treasury which was ordered to be used to fill the deficiency in the Assessment for Education

NOVEMBER 2, 1889 at 2 ½ O'CLOCK PM

Rev. J. W. Wellons

Rev. J. W. Wellons was unanimously recalled to serve our next conference year

NOVEMBER 23, 1889

Rev. J. W. Wellons

\$73.05 paid to pastor to date

A. L. Allen elected Secretary, R. R. Holmes elected Treasurer

Pastor requested one or more of the deacons to see (male) and request him to be present at next quarterly meeting to satisfy the church of his Christian walk

NOTE: On Sunday, November 24, 1889, Rev. P. T. Klapp preached a very instructive and impressive sermon from the text - The voice is Jacob's but the hands are the hands of Esau - After which a *hat collection* was taken to the amount of \$7.06

FEBRUARY 22, 1890

Rev. J. W. Wellons

\$81.55 paid to date on pastor's salary for last year

Bro Wellons grated one month's vacation

MAY 24, 1890

Collectors requested to see or correspond with each member on their list and report as early as "practicable"

Treasurer ordered to pay over all funds in hand for salary to pastor

AUGUST 23, 1890

Rev. J. W. Wellons

(male) name stricken from roll on account of ungodly walk  
A Committee of A. L. Allen, R. R. Holmes and J. W. House appointed to sell wire around cemetery  
Treasurer requested to pay all funds in hand for salary to pastor

FEBRUARY 21, 1891

Rev. J. W. Wellons

Collectors requested to make effort to see the delinquent members on their list and request of them their excuses for nonattendance and inactiveness  
Committee to sell wire requested to solicit bids and report at next meeting

MARCH 21, 1891

Rev. J. W. Wellons

On motion - Church directed that the wire which once enclosed the cemetery be sold at Public Auction  
April 25, 1891  
Finance Committee appointed - A. L. Allen, R. R. Holmes and J. W. House

APRIL 25, 1891

Rev. J. W. Wellons

Wire sold for \$5.90  
Expenses of preparing wire for sale was paid out of proceeds  
\$2.00 balance due on Communion table - Was paid  
Envelope system introduced by Finance Committee  
Pastor requested to purchase 2 money baskets for church  
A. L. Allen requested to purchase and put on a fastening at bottom of each door of church

OCTOBER 24, 1891

Delegates to Annual Conference - A. L. Allen, Geo Kearney, J. H. Harris and G. I. Levister alternates  
Corrina Jones appointed to solicit subscriptions for the minutes of next annual conference

JANUARY 23, 1892

Rev. J. W. Wellons

Finance Committee reports not all last year's salary collected  
Envelope system adopted  
Deacons reported several cases of ungodly living  
(male) dropped from roll by request  
Secretary resignation granted  
Finance Committee - R. R. Holmes, J. W. House and A. L. Allen

OCTOBER 22, 1892

Rev. J. W. Wellons

Deacon House reported on interview with (male) in regard to a violation of the church rules by drinking intoxicating liquors, (male) acknowledged the sin and felt God had forgiven him and asked the church to forgive him - which it did  
Deacon House reported that (male) was guilty of the sin of profanity - On motion it was requested this brother attend next quarterly meeting and answer the charge  
A motion that (male) be requested to attend next meeting and give an account of his non-attendance upon the church services and duties  
Bro Geo Catlett requested to see (male) and ascertain why he has not contributed  
Ordered treasurer to pay pastor all fund for salary that come into his hands before Conference  
Delegates to Conference: J. W. House, A. L. Allen - Alternates: R. R. Holmes, A. J. Morton

FEBRUARY 25, 1893

Rev. J. D. Wicker

Bro J. W. House requested to notify (male) that the church still requested him to attend and answer to charge of profanity  
Bro J. H. Harris requested to see (male) and insist that he attend next meeting of the church  
Bro J. M. Hight elected Sexton  
J. W. House, R. R. Holmes, J. H. Harris appointed to investigate the necessary repairs on the church house  
Finance and Assessing Committees appointed - J. W. House, R. R. Holmes, J. H. Harris, Geo D. Kearney, A. L. Allen

MAY 27, 1893

Rev. J. D. Wicker

Bro A. L. Allen resigned Secretary - Annie Lee Jones elected

On motion Bro J. W. House and James H. Harris appointed to see (male) again and ask him to attend next meeting in June

Committee to draft resolutions of respect on the death of Bro W. S. Holmes

JUNE 24, 1893 (call meeting)

Rev. J. D. Wicker

(male) was dropped

(Note: \* beginning October 22, 1892 indicates number of times a committee was sent to see this person)

AUGUST 26, 1893

Rev. J. D. Wicker

Standing Committee requested to see (male) and insist he attend next meeting and answer to charges of drunkenness - Secretary also requested to write to him and ask him to attend

Treasurer reported \$18.77 collected

Bro A. M. House requested to see (male) and ask him to attend next meeting

Bro J. H. Harris appointed to see (male) and report at next meeting

J. W. House, A. L. Allen and Lucy Jones appointed to draft resolution in death of sister Amanda Holmes with copies to *Christian Sun*, *Christian Advocate* and to the family

OCTOBER 21, 1893

Rev. J. D. Wicker

Moved and seconded that (male) be excommunicated from the church and be notified

Treasurer reported \$20.85 collected on Fourth quarter

J. W. House and A. L. Allen elected to attend Annual Conference

MAY 26, 1894

Rev. J. D. Wicker

male had been requested to attend church and answer for a charge of drinking too much - He was present - acknowledged the charge and asked forgiveness and on motion the brother was excused

Bro James Harris had been requested to see (male) who had been accused of cursing and asked him to be present - BUT he was absent - it was moved that the case be continued

(male) charged with using profane language - he acknowledged the charge and asked forgiveness and was excused

Treasurer reported \$9.00 on salary

SEPTEMBER 1894

Rev. J. D. Wicker

Treasurer reported \$12.00 on pastor's salary for 3rd quarter

NOVEMBER 1894

Rev. J. D. Wicker

Treasurer reported \$4.50 on pastor's salary for 4th quarter

Rev. J. D. Wicker unanimously called to preach another year

MARCH 24, 1895

Rev. J. D. Wicker

Bro Davis Leavister elected Sexton

Sisters Lucy Blackley and Corrina Jones appointed to collect Sexton's salary

A. L. Allen, A. J. Morton, Geo Catlett and Annie L. Jones added to Assessing Committee

JUNE 1895

Rev. J. D. Wicker

Sexton reported he had put a lock on the door

Requested Sexton make a thorough examination of the covering of the church and report its condition

Treasurer reported nothing collected

SEPTEMBER 1895

Rev. J. D. Wicker

Standing Committee reported church in good standing

Treasurer reported \$4.75 collected on pastor's salary 3rd quarter

Conference to be held at Liberty, Vance County, North Carolina Friday, Nov. 29, 1895

Geo D. Kearney and A. M. House delegates

Sexton reported he had examined the top of the church and it was in good condition - decided not to make repairs



NOVEMBER 1895 Rev. J. D. Wicker  
 Sexton reported church in good order with exception of putting glass in the windows  
 Rev. J. D. Wicker called to serve the church another year

FEBRUARY 1896 Rev. M. L. Hurley  
 Treasurer reported \$19.00 on pastor's salary first quarter  
 Ethel Holmes and Annie Lee Jones appointed to collect Home and Missionary assessment

MAY 1896 Rev. M. L. Hurley  
 Treasurer reported \$14.00 on pastor's salary for 2nd quarter  
 Total collected \$53.10  
 A. L. Allen, A. J. Morton, and G. D. Leavister appointed to examine top of church

AUGUST 1896 Rev. M. L. Hurley  
 Treasurer reported \$3.75 for 3rd quarter  
 R. R. Holmes moved that Committee be continued to solicit funds for the payment of covering the church

OCTOBER 1896 Rev. M. L. Hurley  
 Treasurer reported \$40.35 collected on pastor's salary 4th quarter  
 Rev. M. L. Hurley called to serve church another year  
 Bro R. R. Holmes added to committee to solicit funds for covering the church  
 A. L. Allen and A. J. Morton delegates to Conference

MARCH 1897 Rev. M. L. Hurley  
 Assessing Committee decided to continue assessments of 1896 - report received  
 Treasurer reported \$21.25

SEPTEMBER 1897  
 Treasurer reported \$15.00 on pastor's salary  
 \$3.50 collected for Foreign Missions

NOVEMBER 1897 Rev. M. L. Hurley  
 Treasurer reported \$52.05 collected  
 A. M. House and N. B. House elected to attend Conference - R. R. Holmes and Geo R. Fuller alternates

MAY 1898 Rev. M. L. Hurley  
 A. J. Morton and Aldridge Catlett delegates to attend District Meeting at New Hope on the 5th Sunday in May  
 Treasurer reported \$10.50

AUGUST 1898 Rev. M. L. Hurley  
 Bro. J. W. House elected to attend Pastorate Meeting at Mr. Auburn in September  
 Treasurer reported \$5.75

JANUARY 1899 Rev. M L. Hurley  
 W. S. McGhee elected to look after and keep up cemetery  
 J. W. House appointed to raise \$8.00 amount agreed on for this purpose

MAY 1899 Rev. G. R. Underwood  
 Finance Committee reported they met and assessed members  
 Treasurer reported \$6.00  
 R. R. Holmes, Geo. D. Kearney and J. W. House appointed Trustees to look after the church property

OCTOBER 1899 Rev. G. R. Underwood  
 (male) expelled on account of sin of profanity and drunkenness  
 Treasurer reported \$25.75 on hand on Pastor's salary  
 Bro. W. D. Harward unanimously called to preach next year

JANUARY 1900	Rev. W. D. Harward
Finance Committee requested to assess the church and revise the roll	
APRIL 1901	Rev. W. D. Harward
Agreed to give C. F. Holmes \$3.00 for his service as Sexton	
MAY 1901	Rev. W. D. Harward
Deacons and Collectors reported nothing	
Treasurer reported \$7.50	
AUGUST 1901	Rev. W. D. Harward
Sexton reported he had put in 4 window lights	
Treasurer reported \$3.00	
OCTOBER 1901	Rev. W. D. Harward
Rev. W. D. Harward tendered his resignation	
Rev. J. L. Fostered unanimously called as pastor for 1901	
A. L. Allen appointed to confer with him with the promise of \$100.00 salary	
A. J. Morton and A. M. House delegate to Conference - C. F. Holmes and J. W. House alternate	
Collectors report: J. W. House           \$19.25	
R. R. Holmes       16.00	
G. W. Catlett       13.00	
JANUARY 1902	Rev. J. L. Foster
A. L. Allen, J. W. House, R. R. Holmes and G. D. Kearney appointed as an Assessing Committee	
G. W. Catlett, R. R. Holmes and J. W. Holmes and J. W. House appointed Collectors	
Date set to assess the church	
APRIL 1902	Rev. J. L. Foster
Treasurer reported \$23.75 on pastor's salary	
JULY 1902	Rev. J. L. Foster
\$3.00 raised for entertainment of the American Christian Convention at Norfolk	
OCTOBER 1902	Rev. J. L. Foster
Treasurer reported \$84.00 collected on pastor's salary	
Frank Holmes and Geo Fuller appointed to build steps to the doors	
Geo Fuller to fix stove pipe	
Entertainment Committee: A. M. House, G. R. Fuller, Frank Holmes, Bob Conyers, A. L. Allen	
JANUARY 1903	
Treasurer reported \$1.00 on pastor's salary	
To meet in February and apportion pastor's salary	
Letter of Transfer granted A. L. Allen and family	
JULY 1903	Rev. J. L. Foster
Sexton reported house in good order	
OCTOBER 1903	Rev. J. L. Foster
Deacons reported church in good standing	
Treasurer reported \$87.50 paid on pastor's salary	
Rev. J. L. Foster unanimously called to preach for 1904 - Salary \$125.00	
A. M. House and R. M. Brown delegates to Conference	
R. R. Holmes and J. W. House to look after church property	
JANUARY 1904	Rev. J. L. Foster
Treasurer reported \$5.50 collected on pastor's salary	
Sexton reported church in good order - he had spent \$1.50 for window glass	

Rev. J. L. Foster

Committee on church property continued with power to act

Rev. J. L. Foster

Treasurer reported \$85.80 to date on pastor's salary

Conference fund to date \$5.40

Rev. J. L. Foster unanimously called for 1905 - Salary \$150.00

R. R. Holmes and N. B. House delegates to Conference - Alternates - G. R. Fuller and E. L. Moore

Rev. J. L. Foster

Sexton reported the church in a tolerably good condition

Rev. J. L. Foster

Deacon J. W. House reported church in fellowship as far as he knew

Treasurer's report blank

Sexton reported a number of trees planted on yard

A couple of well buckets have been supplied costing 85 cents and paid

Cemetery Committee - R. L. Conyers, C. F. Holmes and J. W. Suitt

Rev. J. L. Foster

Deacons report: "We the deacons of Popes Chapel in our consultation before making our fourth quarterly report for 1905 have considered the condition of the members of our church and after due consideration beg leave to report that so far as we know the church is prosperous, her membership in good standing and harmony prevails among them with one exception viz. (female) whose life has been such that we recommend that her name be dropped from our roll."

Treasurers report to date      Pastors's salary \$137.50

Missions 12.31

Sexton reported pillars of church need repair - C. F. Holmes, Geo Fuller, J. W. House appointed to attend to it

Rev. J. L. Foster unanimously called to preach for 1906 - Salary \$150.00

A. M. House, & Herbert Holmes delegates to Conference A. L. Allen-Fleming Fuller alternates

Rev. J. L. Foster

Committee reported 4 new pillars installed and others repaired

Rev. J. L. Foster

Sexton reported 2 new locks at \$2.50 and 4 window lights broken out

Treasurer reported \$22.80 on pastor's salary

Trustees: R. R. Holmes, G. R. Fisher, R. L. Conyers, J. W. Suitt, A. M. House, H. G. Holmes, Fleming Fuller

Rev. J. L. Foster

Church in good standing

Treasurer reported \$64.25 paid

Conference Fund	8.96
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Delegates to Conference: J. W. Suitt, R. R. Holmes - Alternates: R. L. Conyers, E. L. Moore

Rev. J. W. Patton

A committee on establishing church property boundaries with instructions to procure plots from surveyor.

OCTOBER 1909

Bro A M House resigned as secretary - Louie J. Williams elected

A. L. Allen and R. R. Holmes delegates to Conference - A M House, Herbert Holmes alternates

Bro Suitt and A M House appointed to solicit funds to defray delegates expenses to Conference

Rev. J. L. Foster

Bro Perry re-elected Sexton - Salary \$3.00

Assesing the church scheduled for February

APRIL 1910

Rev. J. W. Patton

Treasurer reported \$26.00 paid pastor

4.66 in hand for Mission

Sexton reported church building in need of moderate repair

OCTOBER 1910

Committee on establishing lines of church property submitted report to the effect that owing to obscurity of points, the exact boundaries had not been obtained, but the church claims were understood, and all trespasses on the same would be guarded against -- Report accepted and committee dismissed

Treasurer reported \$106.75 paid on pastor's salary

Rev. J. W. Patton unanimously called for 1911, Salary \$160.00

Bros. A. L. Allen and Herbert Holmes delegates to Annual Conference - Ressie Suitt and R. R. Holmes alternates

JANUARY 1911

Sexton reported some needed repairs on windows - Was instructed to purchase glass for same - also to look after the buying of some wood

Officers: Treasurer - R. R. Holmes, Sexton-F. M. Perry, Secretary - Louie J. Williams

Former Collectors retained: B. J. Blackley, E. L. Moore and R. L. Conyers - They reported assessment for 1911 already made

APRIL 1911

Bro. A. M. House and B. J. Blackley appointed on repairing and painting the church

OCTOBER 1911

Rev. J. W. Patton

Committee on Church Improvement submitted: "Our building needs painting and those with whom we have consulted think the time ripe for this. As to other repairs there seems a difference of opinions."

On motion it was decided to change the entrance from the north to the south end of the building and put in a recess pulpit where the doors now are - Vote 16 for and 4 against

Members present subscribed \$72.00 for these improvements - vote made unanimous

Rev. J. W. Patton unanimously elected pastor for 1912 - Salary \$165.00

Bro. Herbert Holmes and Geo Patterson delegates to Conference

JANUARY 1912

G. R. Fisher resigned as Trustee - E. L. Moore elected to fill vacancy

R. R. Holmes resigned as Treasurer - R. L. Conyers elected

Louie J. Williams elected secretary - A. M. house assistant

Church agreed to pay Sexton, Jimmie Perry, \$8.00

Treasurer reported all bills paid for 1911

JULY 1912

Rev. J. W. Patton

E. L. Moore reported \$141.24 collected on repairing church

R. L. Conyers reported \$143.85 spent

Moved to receive their reports and dismissed them with thanks

SEPTEMBER 1912

Called Rev. C. E. Newman as pastor of 1913 - Salary \$165.00

OCTOBER 1912

Treasurer reported: \$104.00 Pastor salary

16.29 on collections

12.85 Church improvement fund

Geo Pergerson and Herbert Holmes - Delegates to Conference

JANUARY 25, 1913

Rev. C. E. Newman

Jimmie Perry re-elected Sexton - Salary \$8.00 per year

A. M. House elected secretary for 1913



APRIL 26, 1913

Rev. C. E. Newman

Bros. R. R. Holmes and J. W. Suitt were appointed to see about having a Union Meeting  
Bro. W. M. Perry proposed to act as usher in place of his brother for remainder of year

JULY 1913

Committee reported Union Meeting unfavorable and committee was discharged  
Sexton reported organ cleaned out at a cost of \$2.00

AUGUST 1913 call meeting

Met and unanimously called Rev. H. F. Wolfe for 1914 - Salary \$165.00

SEPTEMBER 1913

Voted to change preaching from the fourth Sunday to the third Sunday for the year 1914

JANUARY 1914

Re-elected all officers

G. R. Fuller resigned as Collector - J. W. Suitt elected for vacancy

JULY 19, 1914

Rev. H. F. Wolfe

Sexton reported some new song books needed

Treasurer reported \$52.25 on pastor's salary and \$17.57 on Conference assessment

OCTOBER 1914

Rev. H. F. Wolfe

Rev. H. F. Wolfe elected pastor for 1915

Miss Louie Williams and R. E. Morton delegates to Conference

A. L. Allen and family granted letters to transfer to Franklinton

JANUARY 1915

Rev. J. F. Wolfe

Treasurer reported pastor's salary and Conference assessment for 1914 paid in full

Alice Guess elected Sexton

Decided to read out at the end of the year who has paid and who has not

R. M. Brown elected Trustee in place of E. L. Moore, deceased

Collectors for 1915: B. J. Blackley, J. W. Suitt, W. A. Fuller, G. H. Pergerson

H. G. Holmes and N. B. House

APRIL 1915

R. M. Brown and H. G. Holmes elected deacons

OCTOBER 1915

Rev. H. F. Wolfe

Treasurer reported \$91.25 collected on pastor's salary

16.48 on Conference assessment

Delegates to Conference: A. M. House, Louie Williams, R. L. Conyers, Zelma Holmes, R. E. Morton and J. W. Suitt

JANUARY 21, 1916

Rev. J. O. Cox

Treasurer reported pastor's salary (\$125.00) paid in full and \$27.50 over-which was also paid to him

Conference assessment paid in full

Board of deacons appointed to see and report as to whether we would hold an all day Memorial Service or not

APRIL 1916

Memorial Service dropped without any decision as to the length of the service

Move that this church go on record to try to form a pastorate - Committee:

J. W. Suitt, H. G. Holmes and A. M. House to look after it

OCTOBER 1916

Committee to assist in forming a pastorate reported that a pastorate was formed and that Rev. G. J. Green was elected pastor

Treasurer reported \$109.75 on pastor's salary

OCTOBER 1917

Rev. G. J. Green

Bro. J. H. Pergerson given right to top trees and given wood  
Moved Hobson Moore bring ½ cord wood  
Bro. A. M. House resigned as secretary - H. G. Holmes elected  
R. L. Conyers resigned as treasurer - J. W. Suitt elected

FEBRUARY 1918

Rev. G. J. Green

Bro. J. W. Suitt resigned treasurer - C. C. Holmes elected  
N. W. Suitt and Hobson Moore elected ushers

APRIL 1919

Rev. G. J. Green

Treasurer reported paid pastor \$26.00  
Church decided to remain in group for another year

JANUARY 1920

Rev. G. H. Black

\$23.00 sent to the Christian Orphanage for Thanksgiving

APRIL 1920

Church voted to have Memorial Service Fourth Sunday in May

OCTOBER 1923

Rev. D. A. Long called as pastor at salary of \$300.00  
Delegates to Conference: H. G. Holmes, Corrinne Holmes and J. H. Pergerson

1933

A. M. House, J. W. Suitt, R. L. Conyers, C. C. Holmes and H. G. Holmes appointed a committee to sell  
Popes School house for \$75.00 - Instead this building was given to R. L. (Bob) Conyers family

APRIL 1934

Collected \$48.30  
Paid for Roofing \$47.80  
Paid for Nails 1.50  
TOTAL \$49.30  
Due 1.00 (Was paid that day)

OCTOBER 1935

Bro. W. J. Andes called as pastor at salary \$150.00

JUNE 1936

Bro. W. J. Andes resigned to take up his father's work caused by death

NOVEMBER 1936

Rev. E. M. Carter (Supply) Popes Chapel Christian

Treasurer reported Paid Bro. Andes \$87.00 for services  
Bro. Woodlief 12.00 for services  
Bro. Carter 24.50 for services  
Missions 7.65  
Conference 23.00

Treasurer: A. M. House, Secretary - J. G. Holmes  
Rev. S. E. Madren called as pastor

Organist Ethel M. Holmes

JANUARY 1937

Rev. S. E. Madren

Treasurer reported paid Orphanage \$3.60  
Pastor 12.50

APRIL 1937

Rev. S. E. Madren

Paid pastor \$48.50  
Church collection \$3.15  
Memorial Services scheduled fourth Sunday in May

## JULY 1937

Building Committee had Mr. Davis to give us some plan on building

C. C. Holmes, N. W. Suitt and H. G. Holmes appointed to get someone to turn the church around

Paid pastor	\$85.75
Orphanage	3.60
Missions	4.39
Flowers	3.00
Collection on hand	8.63

## SEPTEMBER 1937

Rev. S. E. Madren called as pastor - Church to let him know in July if they would like to make a change and he would do the same

## NOVEMBER 1937

Paid for turning church around	\$75.00
Paid for cement	.78
Paid for labor	1.50
TOTAL	\$77.28

Building Fund from November 24, 1937, until May 11, 1938

Balance in treasurer	\$38.40
Collected	52.08
Interest on money in bank	.50
Money on hand May 11, 1938	\$90.98

## PAID OUT

9 gallons of Paint at \$2.65 gallon	\$23.85
17 gallons L. S. oil at 1.00	17.00
Japan d	1.75
1 Qt. paint	.97
Lock	1.31
Labor	20.00
Total paid out May 11, 1938	\$74.88
Balance in Treasurer	16.10
Deposit in June	.75
Deposit in August	20.55
Balance as of October 1, 1938	\$37.40

## OCTOBER 1938

Rev. S. E. Madren

Treasurer reported paid pastor \$150.00, Mission \$5.85, Orphanage \$4.31

Conference \$20.00

Collectors: J. W. Suitt, J. W. House and H. G. Holmes

Delegates to Conference: J. W. House, Annie B. House and G. H. Pergerson

## JANUARY 1939

Rev. S. E. Madren

J. W. House and N. W. Suitt elected as deacons to fill vacancy created by deaths of A. M. House and B. J. Blackley

No other business

## 1940

The records are not available on the action taken concerning the purchase of a new piano to replace the old "pump Organ", however, we were able to determine that a new Everette piano (the one presently located in Daughtry Hall) was purchased around 1940. Serving on this committee: Cecil C. Holmes, Myrtle H. Holmes, Ida C. Snooks, Ethel M. Holmes

## NOVEMBER 19, 20, 1940

There were no minutes available for this period in time, but we are able to find a program for the Eastern

North Carolina Conference, held at Popes Chapel.

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#### OCTOBER 1941

Treasurer reported paid pastor \$200.00, Conference \$28.00, Mission \$10.00  
Delegates to Conference: N. W. Suitt and Corrinne Holmes

#### JUNE 1942

Treasurer reported \$28.98 in treasurer  
Paid pastor \$88.10  
Fifth Sunday in August - revival  
Church voted to give pastor month of July for vacation

#### AUGUST 1942 call meeting

Rev. E. M. Powell

Church voted to stay in group and keep Rev. S. E. Madren as pastor to raise his salary to \$300.00

#### 1943

The "pump organ" was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Royal Spence of Greensboro, North Carolina. Mrs. Spence is the former Luvene Holmes, daughter of Herbert G. and Irene P. Holmes.

#### AUGUST 1943 call meeting

Rev. S. E. Madren called to serve as pastor for coming year - same salary \$300.00

#### NOVEMBER 1943

Treasurer reported paid pastor \$263.30  
Orphanage 28.89  
Mission 24.50

Trustees: J. W. Suitt, R. M. Bailey and C. C. Holmes

Pianist - Ethel Holmes

Delegates to Conference: John House, Annie B. House, A. B. Brown

#### JANUARY 1944

No meeting - inclement weather

#### APRIL 9, 1944

Rev. S. E. Madren

Revival - Week following 5th Sunday in July

#### AUGUST 13, 1944 call meeting

Rev. S. E. Madren resigned to take other work

J. W. Suitt, C. C. Holmes and J. W. House elected to secure pastor for another year

#### OCTOBER 8, 1944 call meeting

Rev. Ernest Brickhouse called to serve as pastor for 1945

#### NOVEMBER 12, 1944

Rev. S. E. Madren

Treasurer reported all financial obligations had been met  
Rev. E. Brickhouse had not accepted the call for pastor  
Mrs. C. C. Holmes assistant pianist

#### OCTOBER 1945

Without pastor until March - Rev. Thomas Sutton was secured for remainder of year

At a call meeting in August - Rev. Sutton was not recalled

Later was called for 1946

#### AUGUST 1946 call meeting

Rev. T. D. Sutton called to serve as pastor for 1947



APRIL 20, 1947

\$400.00 in Building Fund

August 17 agreed upon for revival

\$13.00 donated to fund for Memorial Building at Elon College

A change in the time of Memorial Day at this church discussed - vote was there should be NO change

AUGUST 17, 1947 call meeting

Rev. T. D. Sutton called as pastor - His salary was increased \$100.00 making \$400.00 per year

AUGUST 1948 call meeting

Rev. T. D. Sutton resigned

Church appointed committee to contact Rev. E. M. Carter who was called unanimously

OCTOBER 17, 1948

Services to be on the 4th Sunday 11:00 A. M.

T. D. Moore elected a trustee

JANUARY 1949

Rev. E. M. Carter

Voted to adopt Conference suggestion letting church year begin January 1 through Dec. 31

Unanimous vote supporting envelope system

OCTOBER 9, 1949

Rev. E. M. Carter called to serve church the ensuing year

Plans for heating church were discussed - Beulah Conyers, & Espa Evans appointed to look into this matter

Delegates to Conference: John and Annie B. House, Espa Evans

NOVEMBER 17, 1949

Delegates to Conference: Sarah C. Moore, Hazel H. Evans, Ethel Holmes and Virginia Brown

OCTOBER 24, 1950

Trustees: John House, J. W. Suitt, Ben Perry and Tom Perry

H. B. Conyers and Tom Perry elected deacons

Eleanor Holmes elected pianist

Rev. E. M. Carter re-elected as pastor

A motion to change motion adopted 1937 - Should read thus: Any pastor is automatically elected from year to year unless he notifies the church at the July Conference that he intends to resign or the church notifies him at this same time that it desires a change.

Keepers of the Cemetery: H. B. Conyers and Louis Conyers and Tom Perry

NOVEMBER 6, 1951 PM

Rev. E. M. Carter

15 members in attendance

A motion to have every member assess himself and report to treasurer amount he's willing to pay

Agreed to pay pastor \$30.00 per month - remainder to be paid at the end of the year

Each member to pay 15 cents per year for Pastor's Insurance

Secretary asked to write non-resident and non-attendant members inviting them to attend and asking them to write if they wish the church to retain their membership

SEPTEMBER 1952

Eleanor Holmes resigned pianist - Shirley House elected

1953 (Parsonage)

During their tenure at Popes Chapel, Rev. S. E. Madren and Rev. T. D. Sutton resided in the Christian parsonage, located at 12 Chavis Street in Franklinton, North Carolina. The parsonage and an adjacent lot were owned by The Mission Board, Inc. of the Southern Christian Convention.

At the time the Board acquired this property, we are told, there were plans to build a Christian Church in Franklinton. The church was begun but was destroyed by fire during construction. Due to a lack of persons, interest and funds, nothing more was done toward this goal. The house was used as a parsonage

for the minister serving some of the area Christian Churches, sometimes as many as four churches at one time.

Rev. Carl Wallace, the last minister to reside in this parsonage, lived there 1949-1951, after Rev. T. D. Sutton. Rev. Wallace did not serve Popes, and we believe he was the last minister to reside in the residence.

In 1953 this property was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Julian E. Wilder by Missions Boards, Inc. of the Southern Christian Convention: Adelia J. Truitt, President; William T. Scott, Secretary.

#### FEBRUARY 22, 1953

Discussed Union revival with Wesley's

Purchase of new pews discussed - tabled

\$65.00 in treasury

New roof has replaced old one

Old covering sold at 6½ cents per square foot

Much of work done by members and merchants contributed by reducing cost of materials/nails

Resolution made and passed for Dr. Robert Lee House, deceased

#### JULY 25, 1953

Rev. E. M. Carter

Rev. E. M. Carter announced he would not serve as pastor after expiration of this Conference year

#### SUMMER 1953

Inside of church painted \$50.00

New pews installed \$1900.00

#### AUGUST 30, 1953

Rev. E. M. Powell called for next Conference year

Service 2nd Sunday evening and 4th Sunday morning

#### NOVEMBER 12, 1953

Plan of a unified budget - subject to approval of church - Estimated budget \$1341.00

\$100.00 paid to pastor to date

Permit for a road be granted colored people hereby they may enter from the highway and follow line of our property to their church - referred to Trustees

#### DECEMBER 27, 1953

Rev. E. M. Powell

Church pledged its support to newly formed Women's Missionary Society

\$228.00 on hand for Building Fund by Hazel H. Evans

Revival - Week following 4th Sunday in June

#### MARCH 24, 1954

Bid lying open on old communion set of \$25.00

Pastors report: Sermons preached 10

Visits made 35

Funerals 2

Compensation received \$200.00

#### JUNE 1954

Rev. E. M. Powell

Loan Fund discussed and carried that quota of \$233.00 be accepted and included in church budget for 3 years, one third of which will be paid in quarterly installments of \$19.42 beginning September, 1954

Voted to sell Communion set to Louis Conyers for \$25.00

#### SEPTEMBER 26, 1954

A collection was taken today amounting to \$37.00 to supplement treasury

Pastor paid \$500.00 for 11 months

JANUARY 1955

Rev. E. M. Powell

Subject of building Sunday School rooms discussed - Committee of Howards Conyers, Otha Evans Jr., Arthur Evans appointed to draw up plans and estimate cost  
Revival - 2nd Sunday in June  
Treasurer reported all bills paid and a balance on hand

MARCH 1955

Rev. E. M. Powell

Sunday School Rooms Building Committee reported the plans and cost has been discussed - estimated cost \$2700.00  
A committee appointed to solicit funds: All deacons and Linwood Moore, Chairman, Ben Perry, Mabel Moore, Vallie Holmes, Espa Evans, William Lee Evans, Annie B. House, Louis Conyers  
Volunteer donations at this meeting - \$185.00

JUNE 26, 1955

Rev. E. M. Powell

Macon Bailey suggest that a sign be put beside the road with the church's name on it  
Rev. Powell recalled unanimously for another year

SEPTEMBER 1955

Sign has been placed beside highway - Cost \$10.00  
George Kearney elected Treasurer  
Henry F. Holmes elected deacon to serve unexpired term of J. W. Suitt, deceased  
T. D. Moore elected Trustee  
Delegates to Conference: Ethel M. Holmes, John W. House, Annie B. House, Halsy Conyers  
Alternates: Adelle Perry, Espa Evans, Linwood Moore  
Linwood Moore and Kenneth Perry recommended by the church to the Committee on Education and Standing of the Ministry of the Eastern North Carolina Conference for consideration of the desire of these 2 candidates to become ministers

JANUARY 1956

Rev. E. M. Powell

Work to begin as soon as possible on proposed Sunday School rooms - Members asked to help do the work - Rev. Powell suggested that we do one room at the time as the money becomes available  
T. D. Moore and J. W. House added to the Building Committee  
Amount on hand for this purpose \$987.93

JANUARY 22, 1956 Call meeting

Question kind of doors to use leading into Sunday School rooms - left to descretion of Building Committee  
Visitation of ministers from other churches February 27 thru March 2 - Simultaneous revivals in all Christian Churches - March 4 thru 11

MARCH 1956

Rev. E. M. Powell

Plans for Memorial Service with Dr. Truitt preaching morning and afternoon  
Contribution to Monelon (camp at Elon) \$10.00  
Delegate to Convention at Burlington: Linwood Moore  
Question of furniture for new building - decided to borrow chairs for present  
Collection taken for Mr. Tommy May who was very ill in hospital  
Myrtle Perry, Espa Evans and Ethel Holmes appointed to draw up resolution of love and respect for Beulah Conyers, deceased November 1955 - to be sent to *Christian Sun*

JUNE 24, 1956

Rev. E. M. Powell

Pulpit chairs given by Women's Missionary Society  
Communion table given by Mrs. Espa Evans in memory of her father, J. W. Suitt and her brother, N. W. Suitt  
Pastor recalled

SEPTEMBER 23, 1956

Accepted quota of \$516.25 toward building Carolina Hall at Elon College - to be paid in 5 years.

#### OCTOBER 1956

Delegates to Conference: Kenneth Perry, Ethel Holmes - Alternates: Janie Perry, Halsy Conyers and Espa Evans

#### MARCH 24, 1957

Corrinne Holmes, Mabel Moore and Espa Evans appointed committee for raising funds for building project  
Rev. Powell agreed to conduct revival to save money for building fund

#### APRIL 14, 1957

Vote rescinded about Mr. Powell conducting revival and decision made to invite a visiting minister

#### MAY 1, 1957

Rotation system of deacons adopted - that more members might serve

2 deacons for 1 year, 3 deacons for 2 years, etc.

Decision to insure building and furniture

Rev. Powell to attend dedication of Church History Room at Elon College, May 12, 1957

Nominating committee formed

#### JUNE 23, 1957

Women's Missionary Society reported purchase of 12 chairs at \$30.00 for #2 Class Room

As result of revival - 9 members were added to church roll 94 by profession and 5 by transfer) bringing present membership to 102

Rev. E. M. Powell unanimously elected for another year

#### SEPTEMBER 18, 1957

Treasurer reported only \$89.98 in treasury - A motion to advise every member by letter as to the financial condition of church

Ethel Holmes, Janie Perry and Espa Evans to formulate this letter

Ben Perry, Henry F. Holmes, Haywood Conyers and Geo Kearney elected to prepare a unified budget for next year

#### SEPTEMBER 22, 1957

Committee reported the minimum amount for budget for 1958 - \$1500.00

Three deacons elected for 2 years: Geo Kearney, Henry F. Holmes and John House

Two deacons for 1 year: Ben Perry and Howard Conyers

Delegates to Conference: Ethel Holmes, Espa Evans - Alternates: Janie Perry, Myrtle Perry

#### DECEMBER 1957

Rev. E. M. Powell

Deacons organized: John House, Chairman - George Kearney, Secretary

Church insurance placed in hands of chairman

#### FEBRUARY 23, 1958

Rev. E. M. Powell

Committee to improve church grounds: T. D. Moore, Fred Cooke, Lomis Suitt, John House and Meta Pergerson

Revival scheduled to begin 4th Sunday in June

#### MARCH 19, 1958

Rev. E. M. Powell

Committee on improving grounds said soil had been offered

Vallie H. Cooke added to Committee

Trustees asked to examine and repair windows

Question of painting old part of church tabled

#### APRIL 27, 1958

A proposed choir loft to be donated by Mrs. Fred Cooke

Paint old part of church - several members donated paint

Question of selling some timber for pulpwood - deferred until Trustees could look over property

Decided to establish a line separating church property from other land near by



Improvement begun on grounds

## Memorial and Homecoming Day At Pope's Chapel Ethel M. Holmes

The doors of old Pope's Chapel were thrown wide on the fourth Sunday in May 1958 to all former members, present members, and friends from other churches, many of whom had relatives sleeping in the church yard, which covers more than an acre and was beautifully decorated by loving hands. Every grave was abloom with lovely flowers. It was a beautiful sight!

These days have been observed for more than fifty years and interest seems to have grown from year to year.

For this occasion a committee consisting of Mesdames Fred Cooke, Tillman Moore, and Julian Fergerson prepared a program of old, appropriate songs and two special songs, one rendered by Miss Peggy Moore, the other by Mrs. Roger Stevens, a former member, but now an active member of a neighboring church.

After a sermon by our beloved pastor, Rev. E. M. Powell, dinner was served under the shade of the old oak tree which has shadowed this spot for a hundred years, probably more.

During the past five years, under our present pastor, the old church has taken on a new look. Four classrooms have been added and new pews and altar furniture installed.

The church has been newly painted and the yard graded and soil placed preparatory to getting a lawn growing in the near future.

After a social hour or more around the table which was heavily laden with all the delicacies that could be prepared, good-byes were said with the hope that all present would mingle together on many another such occasion at dear old Pope's Chapel.

*Taken from Christian Sun, June, 1958*

JUNE 18, 1958

Rev. E. M. Powell

Vallie H. Cooke thanked with a rising vote for her gift of choir platform

Women's Missionary Society thanked for gifts of altar, table scarves

A committee to draw up resolutions for Mr. Ben May, deceased member and send to *Christian Sun*

Voted to call pastor for the ensuing year at next morning service

Adelle Perry director of Bible School

SEPTEMBER 1958

Conference year to run from January to December

Name of denomination discussed - decided to remain Congregational Christian instead of Church of Christ

Deacons are on rotating system

Ordination of deacons to be at Mt. Gilead

OFFICERS: Secretary Ethel M. Holmes

Treasurer Howard Conyers

Chorister Richard Holmes

Pianist Shirley H. Winstead

Asst. pianist Dianne Pergerson

Deacons Avon Fuller

Julius Wheeler 1 year

Harvey Grissom

Howard Conyers

J. W. House 2 years

George Kearney resigned as Treasurer and deacon

NOVEMBER 23, 1958

Four deacons with 1 from Oak Level ordained at Popes

DECEMBER 1958

Howard Conyers declined to accept treasurer - Bobby Winstead duly elected

JANUARY 14, 1959

Rev. E. M. Powell

Church clear of debt at the end of 1958

Pews purchased for choir loft

Two additional pews purchased for the back of the church

Proposal to recarpet the church and sell old carpet

Make arrangements to sell pine timber (None smaller than 4 inches) - proceed to go toward pews and carpet

FEBRUARY 8, 1959 call meeting

Voted to ask \$50.00 for old carpet but would take \$35.00

FEBRUARY 22, 1959

Motion to sell the table which had been used by the Secretary, to the highest bidder

Committee: Harvey Grissom, Haywood Conyers and Ben Perry

APRIL 12, 1959

Reported sale of table for \$23.00

In debt for pews and carpet to amount of \$700.00

DONATIONS: 1 church pew	Bob Conyers Family
1 choir pew	Espa Evans
1 choir pew	Julian Pergerson Family
1 choir pew	Fred Cooke
Secretary table/chair	Howard and Lorena Conyers
Pulpit desk	Vallie H. Cooke
A rug	Corrinne Holmes
A vase	Lorena Conyers

New Sunday School class formed consisting of pupils of high school age

Question of a cement walk arose to be investigated

Committee to investigate selling timber: Julius Wheeler, Harvey Grissom and Ben Perry

MAY 10, 1959

Rev. E. M. Powell

Cement walk approved

Cutting of timber approved - proceeds to be applied to bank note for pews and carpet

MAY 24, 1959

Memorial Day At Pope's Chapel

Ethel M. Holmes

Memorial Day at Pope's Chapel on May 24 was attended by a large number of the present membership, exmembers and members of other churches.

There was only one service followed by dinner on the table under the old oak tree which has given shade and comfort for these many years; forest to those whose memory we were celebrating, and now to their third and fourth generations.

These occasions have kept alive a spirit of reverence and interest for those who sleep in the old cemetery which is being enlarged from time to time. Only a few if any, of the graves were left without a flower placed upon them by some loving relative.

The sermon was delivered by the pastor, Rev. E. M. Powell, his subject being "There Is Glory in Going On." The scripture reading was from Luke 5:15-28. It was a self-searching message and was received with great interest, judging from the attention manifested by the entire congregation as viewed by the writer from our choir loft of which we are so proud. This was the first service in which it was used since its completion. The music for the day was greatly enhanced by the help of friends from our near-by town of Franklinton. Miss Beatrice Kearney, an unusually fine pianist, presided at the piano and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hagwood helped so much with the singing, especially with the specials.

On the whole it was a most enjoyable day. We look forward from year to year to these occasions where new friendships are made and old ones renewed.

*Taken from the Christian Sun., June, 1959*

JULY 12, 1959

Sale of timber was \$161.63

\$200.00 plus interest paid on note

A rising vote of thanks to persons' donating gifts

JULY 26, 1959

Rev. E. M. Powell unanimously called for 1960

AUGUST 9, 1959

Old rug has been sold for \$35.00

OCTOBER 11, 1959

Women's Missionary Society applied proceeds of \$115.45 from a sale on bank note leaving a balance of \$345.00

Budget for 1960 was approved at \$1667.32

Bobby Winstead & Howard Conyers elected deacons for 2 years - John House term extended 1 year

Delegates to Conference: Vallie Cooke, Ethel Holmes - John House, Annie B. House Alternates

OCTOBER 25, 1959

Committee to draw up resolution for B. J. Conyers, deceased - Ethel Holmes, Mabel Moore and Ben Perry

NOVEMBER 22, 1959

A collection of \$34.16 taken for Hobson Moore who lost most of his belongings in a fire

Question of Choir Robes was raised - Decision left to Choir

JANUARY 10, 1960

Request to the Conference to release the church of remaining debt so as to begin new year with a clean sheet

Question of purchasing an electric organ - To be decided after demonstration January 24, 1960

Committee to solicit funds: Shirley H. Winstead, Lorena Conyers, Julian Pergerson, Ethel Holmes and John House

JANUARY 24, 1960 call meeting

Motion to purchase organ accepted and a volunteer collection of more than \$500.00 taken then

APRIL 10, 1960

Adelle Perry, Myrtle Perry and Ethel Holmes to write resolution of respect for deceased members and friends of the church: Hobson Moore, Furney Perry, Willard Suitt, Maggie Hayes, Linwood Moore and infant of Mr. & Mrs. Piper \$150.00 to be paid to CHIP quarterly for 1960, 1961 and 1962

AUGUST 28, 1960 call meeting

Voted to accept gift of a vacuum cleaner offered by Mr. and Mrs. Fleming Morton in memory of Mr. Morton's mother, Mrs. Lelia C. Morton

OCTOBER 9, 1960

Church voted to retain its name of Congregational Christian and refused to join with the organization known as "The United Church of Christ"

Annual vote was taken on calling the pastor and Rev. Powell was recalled unanimously

Delegates to Conference: Vallie Cooke, Ethel Holmes - Alternates: Halsy Conyers, Annie B. House

NOVEMBER 13, 1960

Church granted permission to have railings placed on front steps - Committee to look into this matter and get cost

JANUARY 8, 1961

Church thanked Women's Missionary Society for buying and installing railings at front door

APRIL 9, 1961

Fire caused damage to a door of one Sunday School Room - Insurance company paid \$35.00 for damage -

This amount applied to another type door  
Church Budget accepted at \$1667.32

MAY 28, 1961

Dedication and Memorial Day At Pope's Chapel

Miss Ethel Holmes

The dedication service held in Pope's Chapel, May 28, 1961 was the 1st in the memory of any living person. Some of the items dedicated were purchased by the church, others were donated by individuals. The committee arranging for the special day was composed of Mesdames Fred H. Cooke, Bobby Winstead and Howard Conyers.

During the past few years our church has shown much improvement, as the members have taken on a renewed interest by building four Sunday school rooms and a vestibule; purchasing new pews, pulpit furniture, communion table, secretary's table and chair; providing tables and chairs for the new rooms and carpet for the sanctuary; and installing a Hammond organ.

It would be difficult for one who saw the church in 1940, the year our present pastor, Rev. E. M. Powell, was ordained in this church, to recognize this as the same building. Mr. Powell is now in his eighth year as our pastor.

Mr. Powell used as his sermon topic "The Church." Four things required for a church, he said, are: loyalty, prayer, work, and sacrifice.

At the close of the morning service the memorial gifts were named.

Following a litany of dedication, the pastor read "The Church of My Dreams" and led the dedicatory prayer.

Following a bountiful lunch and fellowship hour, members joined visitors from other churches in an afternoon of singing by several choirs.

The church, which was established more than a hundred years ago, has grown much -- but not enough. We, the members, are looking forward to the coming revival services which will begin June 25 with the Rev. J. L. Neese as guest minister. We are hoping to see more growth as the result of these services.

*Taken from the Christian Sun, June 13, 1961*

JULY 9, 1961

Committee; Otha Evans, Jr., Howard Conyers, Ben Perry, Meta Pergerson and Ethel Holmes appointed to investigate cost of a recessed pulpit, 2 Sunday School rooms and brick veneering the entire church. Secretary asked to write North Carolina Revenue Sale Tax Department for a number to exempt church from sales tax.

AUGUST 13, 1961

Pastor presented a request from G. T. Perry, Jr. for permission to have his wedding ceremony performed in this church, September 16, 1961.

Report from Building Committee - No decision reached.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1961

Church called into Conference to call pastor for next year - Rev. E. M. Powell called.

OCTOBER 8, 1961

First deaconess elected: Ethel Holmes

Treasurer requested to get exact count from teachers when ordering literature.

Deacons elected: Richard Holmes, G. T. Perry, Jr. 1 year.

Gene Bragg and Howard Conyers, retained; Otha Evans, Jr., elected.

Delegates to Conference: Vallie Cooke, Ethel Holmes - Alternates: Janie Perry, Meta Pergerson.

OCTOBER 22, 1961

Building Committee, with Otha Evans, Jr., Chairman showed map of planned work and as estimate of \$5000.00 plus - No decision.



JANUARY 14, 1962

Discussion on purchasing new windows for the church - These to be memorial windows

Committee: Vallie Cooke, Halsy Conyers and Janie Perry to solicit pledges

Budget of \$2300.00 for 1962 was accepted

Revival to begin 4th Sunday in June

Committee appointed to attend to mowing of the lawn

Richard Holmes and G. T. Perry elected deacons unexpired term of Julius Wheeler and Claude Floyd who transferred to Raleigh

FEBRUARY 11, 1962

Committee reports all memorial windows have been pledged - Request installation by 4th Sunday in May

Approval given for addition on building - Work to begin at once

MARCH 25, 1962

Meeting to discuss the shape of choir loft - Overwhelming majority voted it to be square

MARCH 26, 1962

At Choir practice subject of choir loft shape was discussed and all present agreed with many more (after seeing) the loft should be arched

JULY 8, 1962

Rev. E. M. Powell

Committee of Hazel Evans, Shirley Winstead, Lorena Conyers, Richard Holmes and Gene Bragg to look at the constitution of the church

A motion to have Superintendent of Children's Home at Elon College visit our church 2nd Sunday in November and bring several of the boys and girls who reside there

Haywood Conyers elected as Trustee in place of Tom Perry, deceased

AUGUST 26, 1962

Rev. E. M. Powell

Church consented to have Dr. Clyde Fields of Elon College, N. C., to discuss the constitution of our church and the advisability of its union with the United Church of Christ

SEPTEMBER 9, 1962

Rev. E. M. Powell

Dr. Fields explained that this union would in NO way affect our church policy - that none of our governing methods would be changed

A majority voted in favor of Popes Chapel uniting, and our church became a member of the United Church of Christ

Constitution was adopted

OCTOBER 14, 1962

Pastor resigned - effective end of 1962

Pulpit Committee appointed: W. L. Evans, John House, T. D. Moore, Janie Perry and Shirley Winstead

Ordination Service of deacons scheduled 2nd Sunday in December

Debt of Church reported at \$3000.00 on bank note

Espa Evans elected deaconess

Julian Pergerson and Ben Perry elected deacons for 3 years

DECEMBER 16, 1962

Church voted to call Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Approved gift of 2 chairs, one for each side of the Communion table, to be purchased by Corrinne Holmes in memory of her father and mother

JANUARY 27, 1963

Revival set for week following 4th Sunday in June

Voted to have 2nd Sunday worship service at 10:00 A. M. to be followed by Sunday School

JULY 23, 1963

A discussion on an amendment to the constitution to be voted later

AUGUST 23, 1963

Secretary contacted and advised to hold until later all letters concerning proposed amendment due to some confusion and mis-interruption

OCTOBER 23, 1963

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Treasurer reported balance on bank note \$1150.00

Nominating committee selected

A committee to draw up a church budget

DECEMBER 8, 1963

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Discussed changing Sunday School year to run as church year - January through December

Voted to leave as is - July through June

Budget of \$3799.00 accepted

DECEMBER 22, 1963

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Proposed plan for putting flowers in church each Sunday

APRIL 12, 1964

Rev. T. M. Daughtry

Voted to pay off \$500.00 bank note plus interest

APRIL 26, 1964

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Attention called to leaky ceiling in Sunday School rooms

Trustees asked to take care of this matter

AUGUST 23, 1964

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Discussed Annuity Fund for Rev. Daughtry = \$100.00 per year

Due to dampness ruining floor in choir loft and ceilings in Sunday School rooms, a new building committee was appointed

Need for book holders on pews in choir loft

Need for a Communion glass filler - donated by G. T. Perry Jr.

FEBRUARY 4, 1966

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Adult choir invited to join Good Hope with Easter Contanta

Loose shingles on roof - left to Building Committee

Request of \$1.00 per week contribution for Building Fund

MARCH 27, 1966

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Delegate to conference - Joyce Holmes, Robert Dement as alternate

Special collection scheduled for 2nd Sunday to meet bank note

JUNE 26, 1966

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Halsey Conyers resigned as Deaconess

Deacons to schedule three meetings per year instead of four

Fourth Sunday in May collection - \$209.86

OCTOBER, 1966

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Eastern N. C. Conference at Chapel Hill - Vallie Cooke & John House as delegates and Howard Conyers and Robert Dement as alternate delegates

Upon recommendation of deacons, church voted to have two business meetings per year to be held on Thursday night of the first week in March and Thursday night of the first week in September with special call meetings when deemed necessary by the church or by the pastor

NOVEMBER, 1966

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Ann Collins resigned from Flower Committee - Hayward Conyers appointed to serve thru 1967

Decided to use artifical flowers in winter and fresh flowers in summer in the sanctuary

The use of bulletins was approved with Rev. Daughtry agreeing to prepare them

MARCH 2, 1967

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

First semi-annual meeting

Suggestion of a new communion set  
Motion made that church buy some new song books  
Women's Fellowship donated \$50.00 and remaining was given by individuals  
Motion made that a letter be written requesting Rev. Daughtry be granted full conference ordination  
Church voted unanimously to accept Rev. Daughtry's offer as half-time pastor and increase salary accordingly  
Voted to give Rev. Daughtry two weeks vacation  
Gravel for grounds discussed - William Lee Evans volunteered to haul without any charge

#### SEPTEMBER 7, 1967

Discussed possibility of new pews for two adult Sunday School rooms and folding doors for the rooms at entrance - committee consisted of Adelle Perry, Vallie Cooke & John House  
Approval to make cemetery committee a standing committee - John House, Hayward Conyers and Julian Pergerson  
Delegate to conference - John House, with Robert Dement as alternate  
Motion made to move toilet, cut tree and move old tables  
Voted to have church land surveyed - placed in hands of trustees

#### MARCH 7, 1968

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

First semi-annual meeting  
Voted to sell old church pews  
Voted to paint sanctuary - six gallons of paint was donated  
Passed to get new tables for homecoming - church pay for materials, Men's Fellowship do the work

#### MAY, 1968

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Delegate to convention at Elon College - Joyce Holmes, Mabel Moore as alternate

#### JULY, 1968

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Voted to accept gift of one brass urn from a former member

#### SEPTEMBER 5, 1968

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Deacons reported a drive to make up money to pay bank note of \$890.00 due 11-02-68  
Voted to change name of Budget Committee to Stewardship & Finance Committee  
Voted to have three members on Vacation Bible School committee  
Recommended and passed that treasurer be made an ex-officer member of Stewardship & Finance Committee  
New Budget approved at \$6,688.25  
Delegate to Eastern N. C. Association at Southern Pines, N. C. - Elsie P. May, and Robert Dement as delegate  
Class #2 purchased a tapestry depicting "The Lords Supper"

#### SEPTEMBER 15, 1968

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Special meeting called concerning cutting of trees below the church - passed

#### NOVEMBER 10, 1968

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Special meeting called  
Discussed and passed to give a spot of land to the colored Popes Church (this to even lines for their building of a new church)  
Voted to give a tree to Wheeler Perry

#### JANUARY 19, 1969

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Special meeting called  
Motion made and passed to contact someone to tune piano

#### MARCH 6, 1969

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Deacons made three recommendations:  
1. Give Elon Home for Children \$1.00 per Sunday School member plus an offering during Thanksgiving - to be paid quarterly

2. Church pay expenses of delegate to Southern Conference at Virginia Beach  
Delegate - Adelle House, and alternates were John House and Lola Daughtry  
3. Contribute to Building Fund each Sunday until note is due - approved  
Decided to have Thursday night communion before Easter  
Annie Lee Gilliam resigned as chairman of Vacation Bible School - Margaret Finch elected - Bobby Winstead, Howard Conyers, and Tom Hayes to check into price of installing air conditioning  
Voted to have all day services 4th Sunday in May  
Motion made and passed that the well pump be enclosed before winter

MAY 11, 1969

Report made on cost of installing air conditioning - tabled

SEPTEMBER 5, 1969

Rev. T. N. Daughtry

Committee appointed to check cost of new sign for church to replace old one - John House, Woodrow House, and Tom Hayes

Adelle House elected as delegate to Eastern N. C. Association, Mabel Moore as alternate

SEPTEMBER 14, 1969

Motion made and passed to have church painted by the painter submitting \$500.00 bid

\*\*\*\*\*REV. T. N. DAUGHTRY entered Wake Memorial Hospital in Raleigh, N. C., July 3, 1970

Special prayer was held by church July 14, 1970, the day preceding surgery

Rev. Daughtry died Sunday morning July 19, 1970, at the age of 58

Buried at Amelia Christian Church, Clayton, N. C.

JULY 28, 1970

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Discussion of salary and one month's rent to be paid to Mrs. Daughtry - voted we do this

Election of pulpit committee - Tom Hayes, Richard Holmes, Howard Conyers, Bobby Winstead, and Sadie Herring

AUGUST 2, 1970

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Meta Pergerson suggested Class #6 be named "The Tiny Daughtry Class" since he had been a member of that class and had taught the lesson on the 2nd and 4th Sundays in each month

AUGUST 23, 1970

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

A standing fan was given by Mack S. House

SEPTEMBER 3, 1970

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Second semi-annual meeting

Air conditioning of church was discussed - voted we not do this at this time

A property line was surveyed in the presence of the trustees concerning land which church gave the colored church

Voted for secretary to write a letter for attendance to all members

Up-keep of well pump discussed - Joe Collins and Tom Hayes to fix doors to the entrance

Shirley Winstead showed sketches and gave estimates of the Fellowship Hall - motion made by Sadie Herring and second by John House that we build this building - church voted yes

Copying machine for preparing bulletins donated to Popes Chapel and Oak Level by Mrs. T. N. Daughtry - (at a later date, Tom Hayes of Popes and E. G. Turner of Oak Level met and Oak Level gave their part of machine to Popes)

DECEMBER 19, 1970

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Special call meeting

Voted unanimously to call Rev. Raymond H. Phelts of Butner, N. C. as pastor

JANUARY 17, 1971

Richard Holmes/Chairman of Deacons

Special call meeting

Discussion of salary for Rev. Phelts - \$234.00 per month voted (not to interfere with his Social Security)

Margaret Finch to take copying machine and make bulletins for \$100.00 per year



FEBRUARY 21, 1971

Richard Holmes/Chairman of Deacons

Three estimates presented for re-covering church - motion made that we accept bid from Harold J. Wiles Roofing Company, Oxford, N. C. at \$685.00 - carried

FEBRUARY 28, 1971

Richard Holmes/Chairman of Deacons

Rev. Raymond H. Phelts requested his salary be reduced from \$234.00 per month to \$200.00 per month

MARCH 9, 1971

Rev. Raymond H. Phelts

First semi-annual meeting

Voted note to have afternoon service 4th Sunday in May

Revival scheduled for week following 4th Sunday in June

Sadie Herring made motion and second by Tom Hayes we go ahead and build Fellowship Hall

Question of joining together Women's Fellowship and Men's Fellowship - voted they stay separate

MARCH 7, 1971

Richard Holmes/Chairman of Deacons

Special call meeting

Discussion of new choir robes - suggested that members make donations and what was needed after this, to be taken from church treasurer

MAY 3, 1971

Richard Holmes/Chairman of Deacons

Special Call meeting

Discussion of changing gas companies from Surban Propane Gas Company in Oxford to Franklin Oil Company in Franklinton, N. C. - voted and carried to change

SEPTEMBER 9, 1971

Rev. Raymond H. Phelts

Rev. Phelts advised the church he would serve as pastor at Popes for another year - accepted by members present

Discussion of scraping and painting front of building - tabled

MARCH 2, 1972

Rev. Raymond H. Phelts

First semi-annual business meeting

Did not have a quorum of 15 members present

MARCH 5, 1972

Special call meeting

Revival scheduled for week following 4th Sunday in June

Donna B. Moore voted chairman of Vacation Bible School

Motion made and passed to paint from the church - committee consisted of Woodrow House, Robert Dement and Sammy Perry to get figures for painting all of the church or one-half of the church

Question of purchasing additional land in front of church - suggested trustees confer with land owner about purchase and cost

JUNE 25, 1972

Howard Conyers/Chairman of Deacons

Tom Hayes resigned as treasurer - Bobby Winstead elected

Shirley H. Winstead suggest that the church presented to its graduating members with a Bible upon graduation - voted and passed

SEPTEMBER 14, 1972

Rev. Raymond H. Phelts

A new pulpit committee appointed - Sammy Perry, Ann Collins, Howard Conyers, Nancy Herring and Vallie Cooke

SEPTEMBER 17, 1972

Rev. Raymond H. Phelts

Margaret Finch advised church she would be unable to print bulletins for 1973

NOVEMBER 12, 1972

Howard Conyers/Acting Deacon

Rev. Joe Sigler called as pastor with a unanimously vote - salary of \$300.00 per month

Voted to give Mt. Gilead a love offering of \$100.00 for rebuilding their church which had burned



FEBRUARY 18, 1973

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Special call meeting

Discussion of heat and air-conditioning for church - voted to have Franklin Oil Company install heating system at \$1,488.00 plus chimney

MARCH 29, 1973

Rev. Joe Sigler

Discussion of Fellowship Hall - Sadie Herring appointed to fill vacancy of committee held by Joyce Holmes since Mrs. Holmes had united with another church

Sammy Perry appointed to make a list of persons to be responsible for cutting the grass in summer

Regards to purchase of land in front of church - not for sale at this time

Revival - to be held week following 4th Sunday in June

Agreed to secure a post office box

Sammy Perry suggested the purchase of a file cabinet to keep all records - voted and passed

APRIL 22, 1973

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Special call meeting

Gift of a piano was offered - voted unanimous to accept

APRIL, 1973

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Special call meeting

Voted to increase Rev. Joe Sigler's salary to \$350.00 per month

Church insurance which was \$30,000.00 be increased to \$40,000.00

Voted to place a damp chaser on the new Baldwin piano which was donated by Mrs. Grace Southerland of Smithfield, N. C., and Mrs. Gwendolyn Parrish of Clayton, N. C. in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Haswell

AUGUST 30, 1973

Rev. Joe Sigler

Contractor, Donald Kelly presented plan and bid for building of Fellowship Hall - \$11,300.00 to include gutters, screens and storm windows

Following agreed upon by members present:

1. Concrete floor with sealer
2. 8' brick fireplace - center of building on south side
3. To build it on ground with a minimum of 12 inches gravel from highest point of land
4. Prim masonite siding
5. Bathrooms - will not be installed at present, but sink studs and bathroom studs would be installed at North west corner
6. Places for five heaters equally throughout building
7. Building to have seven windows
8. Building to have three doors - one in front, one in back and one on side. They would consist of all wood with no glass
9. Wall receptacles every 10'
10. Kitchen to be south-west corner
11. Light fixtures with porcelain socket
12. Measurements - 28 X 60
13. Separate building from church

Committee asked to see who would lend money on building

Above price does not include kitchen cabinets - these were build by Sammy Perry

Bathroom on east side of Fellowship Hall installed by Tom Hayes

SEPTEMBER 13, 1973

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Building Fund on hand - \$241.45

Goal for Southern Conference was \$700.00 - church paid \$300.00, motion made and accepted to pay only the \$300.00 for 1973

Discussion of who would sign note on Fellowship Hall - Volunteers: Howard Conyers, Bobby Winstead.

Added later: John W. House, Ben Perry, Ralph Moore, Gordon Moore, Sammy Perry and Homer Mitchell

MARCH 14, 1974

Rev. Joe Sigler

First semi-annual meeting

On hand in building fund - \$286.00

Agreed to transfer note on Fellowship Hall from First-Citizens to Franklinton Savings & Loan Association  
Motion made and passed to consecrate the Fellowship Hall as soon as possible

Richard Holmes, John House, and Woodrow House and Joe Sigler volunteered to sow grass seed in front of Fellowship Hall

Margaret Finch and Wyvette Hayes volunteered to make list of men to cut grass in the summer

MARCH 24, 1974

Rev. Joe Sigler

Special call meeting

Mrs. Dorothy Payne, representative from Franklinton Savings & Loan came and talked with members concerning a loan with them on the Fellowship Hall - voted to change to Savings & Loan

Agreed to have Sunrise Service for Easter

Consecration of Fellowship Hall approved and schedule for April 28th

APRIL 28, 1974

Consecration of Popes Chapel Fellowship was held this date with lunch served. The building was dedicated in honor and loving memory to the late Rev. T. N. Daughtry

JUNE 9, 1974

Rev. Joe Sigler

Special call meeting

On hand in Building Fund - \$1,128.06 - suggested we use \$1,000.00 to apply to note at Franklinton Savings & Loan and have them debit our account monthly for payments

JULY 11, 1974

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Meeting called to discuss whether church desired to make a change in the minister

Rev. Joe Sigler insisted on his presence - majority voted to have minister excuse himself for discussion

Secret Ballot results: 20 persons requested Rev. Sigler's resignation, 15 persons requested he remain

Constitution states there is to be a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority vote in order to ask a minister to resign - Rev. Sigler chose to remain as minister of Popes Chapel

SEPTEMBER 12, 1974

Rev. Joe Sigler

Second semi-annual meeting

Treasurer reported \$123.29 in checking - \$491.70 in Building Fund

Motion made that we send \$75.00 each quarter to conference for our dues and more if we see our way clear

Discussion of repairs to Sunday School rooms (floor sunk in) - Sammy Perry volunteered to form committee for repairs

Voted to have Harvest Day Festivities 4th Sunday in October wearing old costumes and serving a picnic lunch

OCTOBER 20, 1974

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Special call meeting

Women's Fellowship offered to have overhead of sanctuary insulated with 3" insulation accepted

FEBRUARY 9, 1975

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Agreed to pay up to \$500.00 on loan for Fellowship Hall above monthly payment

MARCH 20, 1975

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

First semi-annual meeting

Treasurer report: \$251.75 on checking account

491.70 in building fund

7,360.83 note on Fellowship Hall

Painting of church discussed - tabled

Deacons to have charge of 11:00 o'clock worship service Easter service

Sunrise Services - 6:30 A. M. to be followed by breakfast in Fellowship Hall

4th Sunday in May services - half day services, lunch in Fellowship Hall

MAY 4, 1975

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Special call meeting

Voted by secret ballot concerning resignation of Joe Sigler - a total of 54 voting members present - 18 members voted for Rev. Sigler to remain as pastor - 36 members voted for his resignation

JUNE 1, 1975

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Special call meeting

Church voted to have Rev. Ralph N. Culler (a retired Baptist minister who had recently moved to Franklinton) preach for us on the 2nd Sunday

JUNE 15, 1975

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Church voted to accept Rev. Ralph N. Culler as interim pastor to serve until a pulpit committee is appointed and can secure a minister - Rev. Culler's salary will be \$275.00 monthly

AUGUST 24, 1975

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Special call meeting

Shirley Winstead presented information concerning the preparation of Centennial Book motion made and passed

SEPTEMBER 19, 1975

Tom Hayes/Chairman of Deacons

Second semi-annual meeting

Due on note for Fellowship Hall - \$7,275.00

Budget for 1976 - tabled until we contact the conference on where our funds are distributed

Discussion of masoniting or siding for church - Howard Conyers, Sammy Perry, and Tom Hayes to get estimates

Pulpit Committee elected - Jean Lowery, Peggy Moore, Sammy Perry, Wyvette Hayes, and Annie Hayes

SEPTEMBER 18, 1975

Wyvette Hayes, Shirley H. Winstead, Janie D. Perry, Meta Pergerson and Vallie H. Cooke appointed to draw up a proposal to make the following ammendments to the Constitution: Article IV; Section B, Item 3: Recommendation that the required two-third required vote be changed to read "approved by the majority vote"

Item 4: The ministers term shall be reviewed annually

ARTICLE VI; Section A; Recommendation that the two-third vote required be changed to read majority vote

Committee to investigate and report the cost of some type of white siding for the church which is in need of paint: Howard Conyers, Tom Hayes and Sammy Perry

## Popes School

In our quest to gain some knowledge of Popes School we discovered that Popes can boast TWO schools. The first school was located south of the present church, below the cemetery area toward the colored church. It was a low frame structure (built sometime in the latter part of the eighteenth century), heated by a hugh fireplace which required logs approximately four feet long. The building had large wooden shutters that had to be opened and closed each day. Water was brought in from a spring located west of the present church, near the bottom of the hill or sometime from the Malley Perry home east of the church.

One former student recalls an incident when a little girl fainted and fell into the fireplace but luckily was unharmed due to the speed of others pulling her out.

A member, who started to school in 1904, recalls a four month school year which was later six months (before our present nine month year). At recess, the boys played on one side of the building and the girls played on the opposite side. Back in those days, plumbing was unheard of so a ditch was used as a toilet until more modern progress was made and an out door restroom was built.

This building was used until Christmas, 1908. When they started a brand new year, 1909, they also started to school in a brand new building. It is described as an oblong weatherboard building with an entrance foyer entering into one large room. There was a stage, a bookcase on the left, a table with a world globe



sitting on it, a table for the water bucket and double desks. It was heated by a single wood heater. Chores for the students were to bring in wood and to go to the well and draw fresh water. In those days the road was further north (probably where the house opposite the church driveway is located now), making the well on the same side of the road as the school. We are not sure when the well was dug making the spring no longer a needed necessity. This school was situated down the hill behind the present church, near the home of Wheeler Perry.

A number of the teachers who taught at the two Popes schools were Mrs. Dora Holmes Lawrence, Miss Louie Williams, Miss Lucy Jones, Miss Lizzie Whitfield, Miss Addie Breedlove (Hunt) 1915-1920, Miss Norma Moore (Bragg), Mrs. Mamie Dickens, Miss Beauford Powell (Moore), Miss Corrine Holmes, Miss Mattie Holmes, Mr. W. K. Simpson and Miss Maggie Poole.

We do not know when the last classes were conducted, although some former students recall starting to school in Franklinton around 1923. In 1933, the church gave the building to the R. L. (Bob) Conyers family who had lost their home in a fire. It was rolled across the road and fields on logs to its present site. The men of the community joined together and worked to make this building livable. Additions were made, and today this residence is the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Conyers.

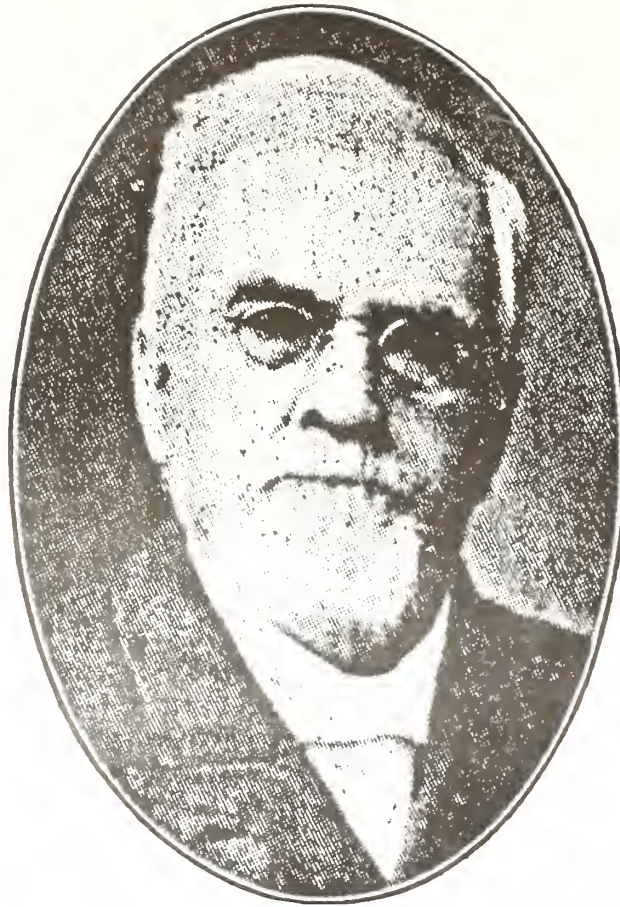
## Cemetery

The cemetery at Popes Chapel is moderately large and has been in use for many decades. A stroll through the grounds tells one that many graves must have been there since shortly after the church was established. There are many resting places marked by field stones, many more by the funeral directors medal frame containing a paper with name and date. These have withstood time so long that the writing has faded and the graves are unidentifiable. The earliest marked grave we are able to locate was 1849.

There are a number of veterans buried here. Some of them from the Confederate Army are marked with two markers, one by family and one by the Army showing rank, battalion, etc.

The older portion of the cemetery is not laid out in any pattern, making it nearly impossible to map. It covers approximately two acres and has a number of large oak trees within the immediate grounds. Some plots are bordered with low concrete walls, some are covered with gravel, others have grass while yet others, sadly enough, are unattended.

At least once each year, (the week preceeding the fourth Sunday in May which is the traditional Memorial Services) the entire cemetery is cleaned, and *all* graves are remembered with a variety of flowers ranging from a single stem to beautiful large arrangements. It is visited during this observance by families and friends from many walks of life and many different localities. The American Legion also honors all the veterans with a new flag annually.



*REV. J. W. WELLONS, D. D.*

Dr. J. W. Wellons was a member of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference. He was one of the most unusual personalities of the Southern Convention history, living to be 101 years old. He served the college as a trustee from its founding until his death in 1927. He was also a member of the Executive Board, never missing a session of either body. Dr. Wellons was author of *Wellons' Family Prayers*, *Life and Labors of Dr. W. B. Wellons*, *History of the Wellon's Family*, *Wellons Family Devotions*, and *Vital Truths for Hungry Hearts*. He lost his property during the Civil War, and he later lost it because of misplaced confidence. He gave one third of his small income to benevolent purposes. He was spoken of as "the Grand Old Man" of the Southern Christian Convention. He had the hearts of his people all tangled up with his own. On his 100th birthday, he preached a remarkable sermon in the Elon College chapel. At his funeral, Dr. W. A. Harper read the funeral oration prepared by Uncle Wellons himself in his 93rd year.

We are told that he preached at Popes Church from a chair when he was in his nineties.



# Dedication of Pope's Chapel

By: Rev. J. W. Wellons D. D.

In Franklin County, North Carolina, November 21, 1875.

Christian philanthropy, Christian love, and Christian enterprise, in the years gone by, erected in this grove, and on this eminence, a house of worship, and generation after generation have here assembled to pay their vows and their adoration unto the Most High. This union in worship has begotten and cultivated holy emotions in the bosoms of many who have passed beyond the river and are resting on the other shore, and it is still a centre from which irradiates spiritual light, health, life and peace.

The Christian Church and congregation at present worshiping here, seeing their old house of worship crumbling with age, and becoming unsightly and uncomfortable, conceived the idea of erecting a new and more beautiful house for the Lord, and for their comfort in worship and work for Him. Their labors have been blessed, and the purpose of their hearts have been crowned with success, and here stands a new and beautiful house, and this opening service has been arranged for the purpose of solemnly consecrating it to God, and all the holy objects contemplated in its erection.

'Tis the blessed Sabbath day of the Lord; 'tis the rest-day of all his people. The spring and summer have come and gone, and autumn, with its fading and falling leaves, standing on the heels of stern and cold winter, is upon us, and I have come from my distant home to join in these holy exercises with the brethren around me. How all our hearts should swell with emotion, and how brightly our countenances should shine, as we stand, and sit, and kneel together in the consecration service!

The sentiment from God's word, selected for this deeply interesting occasion, is taken from the Prophecy of Haggai, second chapter and 9th verse: "The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts."

Of Haggai, through whom God spake these words to his peculiar people, but little is known. He has ever been regarded one of the minor prophets--was probably born in Babylon during the captivity of Israel, and seems to have been the first prophet sent to the Jews after their return from captivity. His mission was to encourage the people of Israel to proceed with the re-building of the Temple, which had been interrupted and delayed, and to assure them of the near approach of the day of the Lord, and the ushering in of a dispensation of grace and peace.

Cyrus, who had issued an edict allowing the Israelites to return to their native land and re-build the Temple in Jerusalem, which Temple Ezra and Nehemiah had commenced, after two years revoked that edict, and for fourteen years that Temple stood still and its partially erected walls crumbled, and the wild weeds sprang up upon the ruins thereof, and the owl and the bat made it their place of habitation.

When Darius, the successor of Cyrus, came to the throne he gave the Jews permission to go forward, but they were dispirited and disheartened, and hesitated.

God appealed to them through Haggai and said chap. 1, 4th verse: "Is it time for you, O ye, to dwell in your ceiled houses, and this house lie waste?"

Of the second house he said, its glory shall be greater than that of the former Temple.

And in this place, says God, I will give *peace*. I enquire

Why should it be greater?

Or why its glory greater?

Because God promised that in it he would give peace--that in this latter Temple to be erected, which should in time be completed and then beautified and adorned by Herod, the Redeemer's feet should stand, and in it His voice should be heard proclaiming *salvation* and *peace*--peace between God and man; between man and his fellows, and peace to every disconsolate spirit.

The glory seen in Jesus, as he stood in the Temple, and the divine purity of his teachings, did indeed outshine the glory of anything before seen in the Temple.

I would now lay down these positions in the application of the subject:

I. The beauty and glory of every Temple of worship consists in its being erected according to God's plan and will.

II. In the presence of God in His Temple.

III. In the spirit in which worshipers enter.

IV. In the peace which should ever be found among the worshipers.

# How Shall This Peace Be Found?

1. By cultivating a spirit of love, one for another.
2. By working together in co-operation.
3. By having respect to one another's rights--by seeking agreement in essentials, and practicing forbearance one toward another in unessentials.
4. By each one's walking closer with Jesus, and living in holy communion and fellowship with Him.  
Whoever walks with Jesus, walks in love, walks in humility and walks in peace.

## Direct Application

This has been long a place of worship. It is perhaps the oldest place of worship in all this section of country. For a full century this has been a place for the meeting of the Lord's people. The first house of worship was probably erected for the Methodist Episcopal Church. Bishop Asbury, in his journal, mentions a visit to this place, and of his preaching here before the Christian organization had an existence. The lot of land on which the old and this new house stands was given to the adherents of Mr. Wesley by a gentleman named Pope, and the house of worship received the name, Pope's Chapel, after the donor of the land upon which it stood.

When James O'Kelly and those acting with him seceded from the Methodist Episcopal church in 1792, the Methodist society at this place went with the seceders, and it is understood that the Christian society was formed here under the ministry of the sainted O'Kelly.

How interesting is the thought that the feet of Francis Asbury and James O'Kelly have stood on these grounds, and they have walked about in this grove, and these old trees have waived their branches over the heads of these great men. In this grove their voices have been heard--Asbury in his soft and silvery tones, and O'Kelly in his burning eloquence and natural logic. Here O'Kelly won souls for his Master, and here he held up high the banner of the cross of Christ, and gloried in the name of his Redeemer.

I first heard of Pope's Chapel when a boy of thirteen years. Then the good John P. Lemay was the preacher here, and in his community he lived, honored and respected by all.

I first came to this place in the Spring of 1855, and in conference with brethren discussed an important enterprise from early afternoon until the dawning of the next day, when an agreement was reached, which resulted, I trust, in much good to the church.

Scores and hundreds who have worshiped in yonder old house have passed over the river of death, and are on the other shore forever happy. They await the coming of their descendants who still worship here. In yonder old house hundreds have bowed at the altar and received pardoning mercy, and the spot will ever be dear to them--dear to them on earth and dear to them in heaven, dear to them to all eternity.

And now, brethren, you who are to be regular worshipers here, love one another, grow in grace, be wise and good and great. Study to keep up with the age in which you live, and remember that we live in an era of progress and improvement. Do what you can, do it faithfully.

And may the glory of this new house excel in its beauty and splendor the glory of the former house. For the purpose of promoting the interest of the Redeemer's kingdom on earth has this house been erected, and may it here long stand, and be revered as God's house.

Behold this new edifice, beautifully pleasant, well built, tastefully ornamented, and an honor to the community.

And now as we come here and gather around and enter this house, let it ever be considered a holy place.

Let this pulpit be sanctified for the diffusion of the truths of God's word.

Let this altar be for a meeting place with God.

Let these pews be used for holy meditation, spiritual aspiration and pure thoughts, and for listening to God's word faithfully preached.

Let this house be used alone and exclusively for religious service and the worship of Jehovah.

Let no political meeting ever here assemble, and no secular business ever here be transacted.

Here may believers in Christ and lovers of Jesus meet and worship the Father in spirit and in truth.

Here, may the stranger find a home; the burdened heart find relief, and all who trust Jesus find rest.

And here may our children and children's, meet to worship our common Father and be happy.

And here may love and union ever prevail among all the followers of the blessed Saviour.

May this building, these grounds, these oaks around the house, and every thing hereabouts ever be considered sacred.

And in stepping upon these grounds may we feel that they are holy, and on entering this house, may

worldly thoughts, worldly cares and worldly anxieties depart from us, and may the meditation of our hearts, the desire of our souls and the aspiration of our minds all be heavenly and pure.

(Let us all now arise and stand before the Lord, while we give this house which we have erected to Him.)

And now most solemnly do we dedicate this house to God, the Father, Almighty, the only living and true God.

We dedicate it to His supreme and unrivaled majesty; to His paternal love; to His free grace; to His supreme worship.

We dedicate it to the Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of the Father; the manifestation of God in the flesh; the only Mediator between God and men; to the memory of His dying love; to the celebration of His divine perfections; to the preaching of that gospel which He sealed with His blood, and confirmed by the resurrection from the dead.

We dedicate it to the Holy Ghost, the regenerating and sanctifying power, emanating from the Father and the Son; to those heavenly influences which bring back the rebellious sons of men to the smiles of a Heavenly Parent; to those celestial visitations which communicate peace, joy and strength to the devout soul.

We dedicate it to the cause of Christian liberty and the right of private judgment; the union of all the followers of Christ, under the *one* Divinely appointed *name*; to social worship; the keeping of the ordinances; to religious intercourse; to the communion of saints.

We dedicate it to Christian morals; to social order; to diffusive benevolence; to universal good will.

We dedicate it to those solemn warnings, affectionate entreaties and persuasive argument by which perishing sinners are won from error's ways and brought back to a Father's house.

We dedicate it to the precious promises of the gospel, which pour consolation into the pious soul and lightens the burdens of human woe.

We dedicate it to the hope of a blessed immortality in that bright world of glory where one eternal day of rest, and peace, and joy are experienced.

We dedicate it to the great work of preparing the soul for that eternal state of blessedness, and for nearer approaches to God its maker.

We dedicate it to God the Father, to Jesus the Savior, to the Holy Ghost, the Sanctifier, now and forever, and let all the people of God respond with devout hearts and grateful emotions:

*Amen and Amen.*



## Program

EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

of

Congregational-Christian Churches

POPE'S CHAPEL  
(Near Franklinton, N.C.)

### Officers

President - Rev. S. E. Madren  
V. President - Rev. A. C. Todd  
Secretary - Rev. E. M. Carter  
Asst. Secretary - Rev. J. E. McCauley  
Treasurer - W. J. Ballentine

One Hundred Fifteenth  
Annual Session

## POPES CHAPEL



## HISTORY

### Tuesday Morning

10:00-Conference Called to Order by President  
Devotional Period - Rev. J. A. Denton  
Enrollment of Delegates and Ministers  
Welcome Address - Miss Mary Suitt  
Response - Rev. M. L. Grissom, Jr.  
Introduction of Visitors  
Appointment of Special Committees  
Report of Executive Committee  
Report of Program Committee  
10:45-Address - "Facing the Future" - Pres. Madren  
11:10-Ministerial Reports (Two Minutes Each)  
11:40-Discussion: What New Thing Our Church Is Doing  
12:00-Communion Service - Conducted by Rev. A. P. Robinson, Jr.  
12:30-Adjournment for Lunch

### Tuesday Afternoon

1:30-Conference Called to Order by President  
Hymn and Prayer  
1:40-Orphanage Program - Supt. Chas. D. Johnston  
2:00-Report of Committee on Religious Literature - Miss Margaret Alston  
2:15-Address - "Spiritual Literacy" - Rev. Robert Lee House  
2:45-Report of Committee on Home Missions - Prof. L. L. Vaughan  
Report of Committee on Foreign Missions - Rev. A. P. Robinson, Jr.  
Report of Women's Work - Mrs. E. M. Carter  
Address - "Now, More Than Ever" - Rev. F. C. Lester  
4:00-North Carolina Council of Churches - Rev. E. J. Arnold, Executive Secretary  
4:10-Business Session:  
Report of Treasurer - W. J. Ballentine  
Report of Committee on Nominations  
Election of Officers  
Adjournment

### Tuesday Evening

7:30-Program in charge of Pilgrim Fellowship - Mrs. Sue Dunn Eaves, Presiding

### Wednesday Morning

9:30-Conference Called to Order by President  
Hymn and Prayer  
Minutes of Preceeding Session  
Enrollment of Additional Delegates  
10:00-Report of Committee on Evangelism - Rev. J. Lee Johnson  
Report of Committee on Social Service - Rev. J. E. Franks  
Report of Committee on Stewardship - Rev. J. A. Denton  
Discussion: "A Plan of Stewardship for the Local Church" - Rev. W. J. Andes  
11:00-Report of Committee on Christian Education - Rev. J. E. McCauley  
Report of Committee on Education and Standing of the Ministry - Rev. A. C. Todd  
Address by Dr. L. E. Smith  
11:45-Licensure and Ordination  
12:30-Adjournment for Lunch

### Wednesday Afternoon

1:30-Conference Called to Order by President - Hymn and Prayer  
1:40-Reports:  
Committee on Appointments - Rev. R. T. Grissom  
Committee on Finance - REv. E. M. Powell  
Committee on Superannuation - Mr. K. B. Johnson  
Business Session  
3:00-Discussion: "Plans for Tomorrow" - Rev. J. E. McCauley  
3:30-Closing Meditation - Dr. H. S. Hardcastle  
4:00-Final Adjournment

# Constitution

## PREAMBLE

We, the members of Popes Chapel Christian Church, Franklin County, North Carolina, a congregationally-governed body, in order to promote the work of the church in the spirit of Christ and thus advance His kingdom, do hereby adopt this constitution.

## ARTICLE I. NAME AND PURPOSE

### Section A. Name

The name of this organization shall be Popes Chapel Christian Church, affiliated with the Southern Convention of Congregational Christian Churches, Inc. and its successors.

### Section B. Purpose

The purpose of this church shall be as revealed in the Bible, to win people to faith in Jesus Christ and commit them actively to the church, to help them grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ that increasingly they may know and do His will, and to work for the unity of all Christians and with them engage in the common task of building the Kingdom of God.

## ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

The membership of this church shall consist of those who are identified with this church as members of the congregation on the date of the adoption of this constitution and those who hereafter shall unite with it by baptism or by transfer of membership, in accordance with the following membership policy:

Any person expressing a desire to be a member of this church, who has confessed his faith in Jesus as the Christ and his Lord and personal Saviour, and who has been baptized by the method of his choice, shall be considered a member.

## ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

### Section A. Officers and Their Terms

1. The following officers shall be elected by the church at its annual business meeting for a term as designated for each, or until such time as a successor is elected and assumes office:

Deacons: not to exceed six (6) in number, one-third of whom shall be elected each year for a term of three years.

Deaconesses: not to exceed three (3) in number, one-third of whom shall be elected each year for a term of three years.

Junior Deacons: not to exceed three (3) in number, to be elected each year for a term of one year.

Trustees: a trustee or trustees shall be elected in the event of vacancy in that office. There shall be three (3) trustees and their successors each shall serve for an indefinite term, or until such time as a successor is elected and assumes office.

Church Secretary: for a term of two years.

Treasurer: for a term of one year.

Assistant Treasurer: for a term of one year.

2. Eligibility: To be eligible for office, a candidate must be a church member in good standing, and twenty-one (21) years of age or over, except in regard to the Junior Deacons who shall be between the ages of 14 to 20.



3. Rotation. Deacons, and deaconesses, who have served for a full term of three years shall not be eligible for re-election to any position on the Official Board until one church year following expiration of such term of an elective office shall not prohibit election of an individual for a regular term as a deacon or deaconess.

#### Section B. Duties of Officers

1. The Chairman of the Official Board shall fulfill the usual duties of such an officer, and shall preside in the absence of the pastor at all regular or special meetings of the congregation.

2. The Church Secretary shall serve as Secretary of the Congregation, shall keep a record and minutes of all its regular or special meetings, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned.

3. The Deacons, in cooperation with the Functional Committees, shall promote the growth and welfare of the church; assist in greeting and ushering of all worshippers; distribute the Lord's Supper, assist in financial canvasses, preparation of candidates for baptism; give counsel and services in the business affairs and program activities of the church, cooperate in ministering to the needy; and perform such other duties as may be assigned.

4. The Deaconesses, in the cooperation with the Functional Committees and with the Deacons, shall promote the growth and welfare of the church; take responsibility for the preparation and care of the communion service; minister to families in times of sickness and bereavement; counsel and serve in the business affairs and program activities of the church; and perform such other duties as may be assigned.

5. The Junior Deacons shall serve as "trainees" in the church's work and receive the offerings.

6. Under the direction of the church, or except as otherwise provided, the board of trustees shall have the care and custody of the property of the church, and shall have charge of its financial affairs, always subject to the vote of the church and the regulations prescribed by the laws of the State of North Carolina. The board shall have no power to buy, sell, mortgage, lease or transfer property, or to invest funds entrusted to their care, without the specific authority of the church. The church shall maintain a safety deposit box in a local bank accessible only by the trustees to be used for the safekeeping of all church records, deeds, insurance policies, etc.

7. The Church Secretary shall keep a complete record of the church membership and such vital statistics as births, deaths, baptisms, and weddings; receive all applications for church letters and issue them under authority delegated by the congregation.

8. The Treasurer shall be responsible for disbursing all funds of the church according to the authority conferred on him by the congregation; he shall present regular reports to the church, and an annual report to the church and an additional quarterly report or as required by the church.

9. The Assistant Treasurer shall fulfill the duties of the Treasurer when the Treasurer is absent or when he is unable to perform his duties because of illness or for other good reasons.

#### Cemetery Committee

The Cemetery Committee shall consist of three members elected at the annual meeting. They shall choose their own officers.

#### Section C. Election of Officers

1. At least four weeks prior to the annual business meeting, a Nominations Committee composed of at least two members of the Official Board and three nonboard members shall be appointed by the Congregation to receive from members of the Congregation nominations of candidates for officers of the church.

2. A Nominations Form shall be sent to each resident member of the church at least three weeks before the annual business meeting, stating clearly the vacancies to be filled and providing space for nominations. These forms shall be signed and returned to the Nominations Committee at least ten days prior to the annual meeting. The Nominations Committee shall determine the eligibility of the nominees and secure their consent to serve if elected.

3. These members receiving the largest number of nominations for each office shall be placed on the ballot, two or three for each vacancy. The Nominations Committee may then add up to one additional nomination for each vacancy.
4. Elections shall be by secret ballot of the members present and voting at the annual business meeting without nominations from the floor. There shall be no voting by proxy. The Nominations Committee shall be responsible, as tellers of election, for distributing and counting the ballots.
5. The nominee or nominees receiving the largest number of votes with respect to the several offices shall be declared elected. In the event of a tie vote, the Nominations Committee shall resolve same by written ballot of its members.
6. The Official Board may declare a vacancy in any office when the persons elected or appointed to that office is not longer able to serve because of change of residence, prolonged illness, or failure to perform the duties of the office.
7. Vacancies in any office of the church may be filled for the unexpired term thereof by the Official Board, subject to the approval of the congregation.

## ARTICLE IV. THE MINISTER

### Section A. Duties

The minister of the church shall perform the duties which usually pertain to that office. As spiritual administrator of the church he shall be an ex officio member of the Official Board and of all organized groups, auxiliaries, committees and departments, without the privilege of voting.

### Section B. Selection and Term

The minister shall be chosen by the church and shall serve as hereinafter provided.

1. A representative committee of not less than three and not more than five members, appointed by the congregation and approved by the Official Board, shall serve as Pulpit Committee and shall be responsible for recommending to the Official Board a prospective minister and proposed terms of his call.
2. After receiving and considering the recommendation of the Pulpit Committee, the Official Board shall submit its recommendation to the congregation at a business meeting. It shall be the policy of the church to consider only one prospective minister at a time.
3. A call to a prospective minister may be extended only after approval by vote of at least two-thirds of the members present and voting at a regular or special business meeting of the congregation. Upon acceptance of a call by the minister, a written statement setting forth the salary to be paid and other conditions of the call shall be signed by the minister and by an officer of the church in duplicate, one copy for the minister and one for the church.
4. The minister's term shall be for an indefinite period but may be terminated by him or by the church upon three months written notice; provided the proposed termination by the church of the minister's term shall be approved by vote of a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting at a regular or special business meeting of the congregation.

## ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

### Section A. Meetings to be Held

The church shall hold:

1. An annual business meeting within the first fifteen days of the months preceding the beginning of the church year.
2. Special meetings as required, such meetings to be called by the Chairman or upon request of the Official Board or written petition of fifteen or more members of the church.

## Section B. Notice

1. Notice of all regular or special business meetings of the congregation shall be given at a regular Sunday worship service of the church at least one week in advance of the meeting, except where a meeting is called and held as provided in the following paragraph.

2. A special meeting may be called and held, without prior notice immediately following any regular Sunday morning worship service provided announcement is made to the congregation before it is dismissed, to consider any matter affecting the church, the congregation, or any member thereof, other than proposals to amend this constitution; provided, however, that, if at the beginning of any such meeting and after the purpose thereof has been stated any member objects to the same, the meeting shall be adjourned to reconvene immediately following the regular morning worship service on the next succeeding Sunday.

## Section C. Quorum

Fifteen (15) members shall constitute a quorum at any regular or special meeting of the congregation.

# ARTICLE VI. AMENDMENTS

## Section A. Constitution

This constitution may be amended at any business meeting of the church by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting on the amendment, provided that written notice of the meeting and a copy of the proposed amendment has been mailed to all resident members of the congregation at least two weeks before the vote is taken.

# Deeds

The following section on Deeds reflects a series of deeds, correspondence and maps that we were able to locate. We have translated the 1859 deed as well as we could interpret. Repeatedly, we are told that Captain Pope gave the first tract of land for the church, but we were unable to establish any record of that deed or transaction.

## William Williams to Trustees Popes Chappell

This Indenture made and entered into this 19th of Sept. one thousand and eight hundred fifty nine between Wm. Williams of the one part and M. C. Winston - C. Sandling & H. White. Trustees of Popes Chappell all of the county of Granville State of North Carolina witnesseth that the said William for and in consideration of the sum of Fifteen dollars in hand paid to him the said William by the said Trustees M. C. Winston. Sandling & H. White at or before the sealing & delivery of these present the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath bargained Sold & released and by these present doth bargain Sell release & convey unto the said Trustees M. C. Winston C. Sandling & H. White a certain parcel of land situated in the county of Granville by estimation one and a half acres more or less and bounded as follows. Beginning at an old stump in the Big path with fronting north west from the chappel running from thence in a southerly direction to a rock on the Chappel spring path thence down said path west to a rock thence in a northerly direction to a rock on Big path thence up said path to the beginning

To have and to hold the aforesaid premises with all the Singular the Apputinanances belonging or with any wish appertaining thereto unto the said Trustees M. C. Winston C. Sandling & H. White their heirs and assigns forever and the said Williams doth by these present warrant and defend the promised unto the said Trustee thru him and assign forever from the lawful claim of claims of any persons whatsoever. In testimony whereof of the said Wm. Williams hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal this day and date first above written Signed Sealed & Delivered in presence of

Willis Pearce

Archibald Husketh

William Williams

North Carolina  
Granville County

Clerks Office  
September 25th 1859

The Execution of the foregoing deed was this day duly proved before me by the oath of Archibald Husketh the subscribing witness thereto



William Williams  
Trustees Popes Chappell

This Indenture made and entered into this 19<sup>th</sup> of Sept One thousand Eight hundred & fifty nine between Wm Williams of the one part and M C Winston C Sandling & H White, Trustees of Popes Chappell all of the County of Granville State of North Carolina Witnesseth that the Said William for and in consideration of the Sum of Fifteen dollars in hand paid to him the Said William by the Said Trustees M C Winston C Sandling & H White at or before the Sealing & delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath bargained sold & released and by these presents doth bargain sell and release & convey unto the Said Trustees M C Winston C Sandling & H White a certain parcel of land situated in the County of Granville by estimation one and a half acres more or less and bounded as following Beginning at an old stump on the Big path with fence north west from the Chappell, running from thence in a South direction to a rock on the Chappell Spring path thence down said path west to a rock thence in a northerly direction to a rock on Big path thence up said path to the beginning To have and to hold the aforesaid premises with all and singular the appurtenances belonging or in any wise appertaining unto the Said Trustees M C Winston C Sandling & H White their heirs and assigns forever and the Said Williams doth by these presents warrant and defend the premises unto the Said Trustees their heirs and assigns forever from the lawful claim or claims of any person whatsoever. In testimony whereof the Said Wm Williams hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his Seal the day and date first above written Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of

Willis Pearce

Archibald Musketh William Williams 

North Carolina } Clerk's Office  
Granville County } September 25<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Execution of the foregoing deed was this day duly proved before me by the oath of Archibald Musketh the subscribing witness

# Warranty Deed

Rosa A. Jones Et Al To M. C. Winston Et Al.

## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, FRANKLIN COUNTY:

This Deed made this the 2nd. day of November, 1875, by Rosa Jones and Elizabeth Cloptin of Franklin county and State of North Carolina, to M. C. Winston, Wiley J. Winston, and Moses T. Winston, Trustees of the Christian Church at Popes Chappel and their successors in office of Franklin county and state of North Carolina, WITNESSETH:

That said Rosa A. Jones and Elizabeth Cloptin do donate to said Trustees and their successors in office for the benefit of said church at Popes Chappel, in Franklin County and State of North Carolina, adjoining the land on the West, now owned by the Trustees of Said Church at Popes Chappel, on the East by the said Rosa A. Jones and Elizabeth Cloptin, and on the North by the public road running East and West. The line starting at a red oak near the school house and grove yard, running North-west by a red oak to a black oak, a distance of about fifty yards, and then nearly North by a red oak to said public road a distance of about Ninety-five yards, and from thence, with the aforesaid public road, west to the aforesaid Church land and from thence, to the beginning, about one-half acre, more or less, upon which the North-east corner of the new house of worship is located.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, the aforesaid lot of land at Popes Chappel and all privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging to the said lot of grove to the said Trustees and their successors in office to be for a Christian Church only. And the said Rosa A. Jones and Elizabeth Cloptin covenants that they are seized of said premises in fee and have right to convey the same in fee-simple; that the same are from all encumbrances and that they will warrant and defend the said title to the same against the claims of all persons whatsoever.

In Testimony Whereof, the said Rosa A. Jones and Elizabeth Cloptin have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year above written.

Rosa A. Jones, (seal)  
her

Attest; J. W. Wellon,  
Dardenelle Perry.

Elizabeth x Cloptin, (seal)  
mark

## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, FRANKLIN COUNTY:

I, William K. Davis, Clerk of the Superior Court, do hereby certify that the execution of annexed deed was this day proven before me by the oath and examination of J. W. Wellon, the subscribing witness thereto. Therefore let the same with this certificate be registered.

Witness my hand and official seal, this the 4th day of July A. D. 1877.

W. K. Davis, Clerk Superior Court.

To hand and registered, July 9th, 1877.

J. D. Tucker, Register & c.

I, W. M. Boone Register of Deeds, Franklin county, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy as appears in my office, recorded in book #46, page 487, Franklin Registry.

Witness my hand and official seal, this the 28th day of September, 1905.

/s/ W. M. Boone  
Register of Deeds, Franklin County.



## Letter - 1905

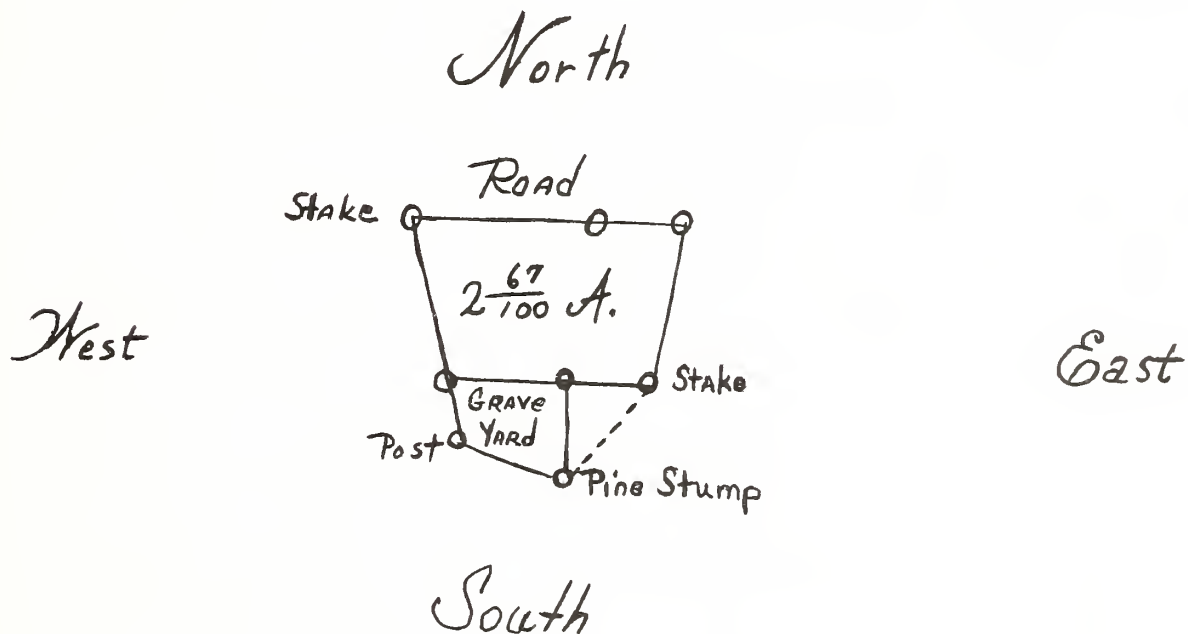
(Below is a copy of a letter written by W. N. Fuller in regard to church property.) Mapleville, N. C.  
Dec. 21st, 1905

Rev. J. L. Foster

Dear Sir I send you the plot of Pope's Chapel land, I have given you corners and distances taking the stake below the church where you drove up a stake and running East 50 yards, and then to the road 95 yards. To the road, and thence along the road to the corners and run that down the old line 95 yards and thence to the stake in the Grave Yard. I think there is a strip of land on the West side of the first line. That Williams Deed calls for one and one-half acres. The whole trouble, there is a deed somewhere that gives the location of the old church. The Williams deed does not cover the old church land. I have been told that old Mr. Pope gave the land for the church.

Yours truly,  
W. N. Fuller

### Survey Map 1905



Scale 20 poles to the Inch

Surveyed the 24th day of November 1905 for the Trustees of Popes Chapel in Franklin County and State of North Carolina, and bounded as follows: To Wit Beginning at a Stake and small cedar in the old path in Conyers line thence S 12 degrees E 17 poles (284.0) 6 links or 95 yards thence East 12 1/2 poles to a Stake in the Grave Yard, thence East 9 poles 2 links (50 yards) to a Stake thence N 12 degrees E 17 poles 6 links to a Stake on the road thence West 28 poles 15 links to the beginning - Containing Two and 67/100 acres.

W. N. Fuller  
Surveyor

NORTH CAROLINA, *Franklin*

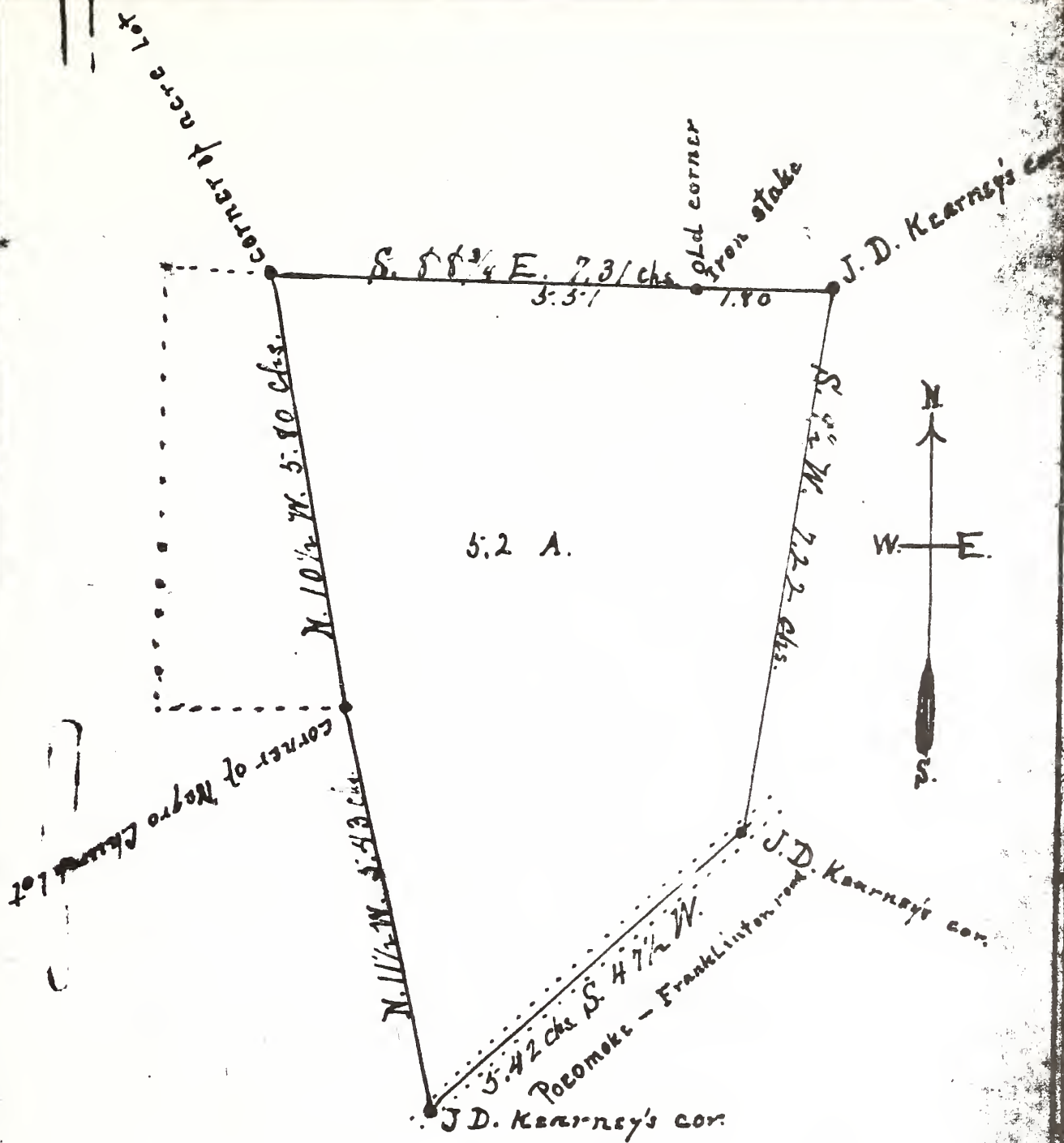
County.

**This Deed,** Made this *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *April*, 190*9*, by *The*  
*County Board of Education of*  
*Franklin County* by its Chairman and Secretary of  
*Franklin* County, and State of North Carolina, of the first part, and *Trustees*  
*of Pope's Chapel Christian Church of Franklin Township, Franklin* County, and State of  
 North Carolina, of the second part:

WITNESSETH, That said *The Board of Education of Franklin*  
*County*  
 in consideration of *Fifty* Dollars, to  
*it* paid by *said Trustees*, the receipt

of which is hereby acknowledged, have bargained and sold, and by these presents do bargain, sell, and convey to said  
*the Trustees of Pope's Chapel Christian Church, (White) their successors*  
 certain tract or parcel of land in *Franklin* County, State of North Carolina, adjoining the  
 lands of *said Pope's Chapel lot, the Mary lands, the*  
*Adams Christian Church* and others, bounded as follows, viz:

*Beginning at a pine stump, north east corner*  
*of Pope's Church lot, thence southward to branch;*  
*thence down branch about 35 feet, thence north west to*  
*line of Pope's Chapel lot; thence along Pope's Chapel*  
*line to beginning, being the lot heretofore*  
*used as public school for whites, known as*  
*the Pope's school, containing one acre more*  
*or less.*



Plot of Popes Chapel Church Lot, or  
that part of said Lot cut from the Land  
now owned by J. D. Kearney

B. E. Green, Surveyor

March - 1926

## Deed - 1926

This deed made this June 12, 1926, by J. D. Kearney, of the County of Granville, State of North Carolina, party of the first part, to J. W. Suit, H. G. Holmes and A. M. House, Trustees of Popes Chapel Church, of the County of Franklin, State of North Carolina, parties of the second part,

### WITNESSETH:

That the said J. D. Kearney for and in consideration of the sum of One dollar and other valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, has given, granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents does give, grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said J. W. Suit, H. G. Holmes and A. M. House, Trustees of Popes Chapel Church, of Franklin County, their successors and assigns, a certain lot or parcel of land, lying and being situate in Franklin County, adjoining the lands of J. D. Kearney, J. H. Conyers, Colored Church, and others, and more particularly described and bounded as follows:

Beginning where J. D. Kearney and the negro church lot corner on the Franklinton and Pocomoke Road, and running thence with line of said Church lot N.  $11\frac{1}{2}$  W. 5.43 chains to a stake at corner between the negro church lot and the acre lot belonging to Popes Chapel Church on the west side of the lot being described; thence along the east line of said acre lot N.  $10\frac{1}{2}$  W. 5.80 chains to the northeast corner of the acre lot on the south side of the old road as formerly located; thence to and along old location of road S.  $88\frac{3}{4}$  E. 7.31 chains (passing an iron stake at former corner of church lot at 5.51 chains) to J. D. Kearney's corner; thence his line S.  $9\frac{1}{2}$  W. 7.22 chains to the middle of road; thence down road about S.  $47\frac{1}{2}$  W. 5.42 chains to the beginning, containing  $5\frac{1}{5}$  acres, more or less, according to plat and survey made by B. E. Green, surveyor, March , 1926.

To have and to hold the said lot or parcel of land, with all of the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging, to the said J. W. Suit, H. G. Holmes and A. M. House, Trustees of Popes Chapel Church, their successors and assigns, in feesimple forever.

And the said J. D. Kearney covenants and agrees to and with the said J. W. Suit, H. G. Holmes, and A. M. House, Trustees of Popes Chapel Church, their successors and assigns, that he will warrant and defend the title to the said lot or parcel of land against the claims and demands of any and all persons claiming by, through or under him.

In testimony whereof, the said J. D. Kearney has hereunto subscribed his name and affixed his seal, this the day and year first above written.

/s/ J. D. Kearney (Seal)

North Carolina, :  
Granville County:

Be it known that on this the 12 day of June, 1926, personally appeared before me J. D. Kearney, signer and sealer of the foregoing deed, and acknowledged the due execution thereof by him.

Witness my hand and Notarial Seal.

/s/ Lena Jones Notary Public

My commission expires 1/23/28



## Pastors And Tenure

Rev. Tommy Cooke	177?	C. E. Newman	1913-1913
William Ormond	1791-1792	H. F. Wolfe	1914-1915
Rev. John Lemay	1839	J. O. Cox	1916-1916
J. W. Wellons	1863-1873	G. J. Green	1917
J. W. Holt	1878-1879	B. J. Black	1920
D. F. Jones	1880-1882	D. A. Long	1923
J. W. Wellons	1883-1883	W. J. Andes	1934
P. T. Klapp	1884	S. E. Madren	1937-1944
J. W. Wellons	1888-1892	T. D. Sutton	1945-1948
J. D. Wicker	1893-1895	E. M. Carter	1949-1953
M. L. Hurley	1896-1898	E. M. Powell	1953-1962
G. R. Underwood	1899-1899	T. N. Daughtry	1963-1970
W. D. Harward	1900-1901	Raymond Phelts	1971-1972
J. L. Foster	1902-1906	Joseph Sigler	1973-1975
J. W. Patton	1909-1912	Ralph N. Culler	1975

# Annual Reports

<i>Year</i>	<i>Membership</i>	<i>Paid Pastor</i>	<i>Value of Church Property</i>
1876	189	\$125.00	\$1500.00 (New Church)
1890	163	100.00	1000.00
1893	105	75.15	1000.00
1899	104	100.00	1500.00
1922	125	186.50	1500.00
1926	115	200.00	2100.00
1936	116	150.00	2000.00
1940	127		
1944		300.00	2500.00
1948		400.00	4000.00
1952	101		
1960	101	720.00	11000.00
1962	96	720.00	17,000.00
1966	101	1500.00	30,000.00
1974	124	4200.00	45,000.00 Church 15,000.00 Daughtry Hall



REV. ROBERT LEE HOUSE, D. D.

In the past two centuries we have had one member from our midst to enter the ministry. Following is a resume of his life as written by his wife.

Robert Lee House was born on June 9, 1906, the youngest child and third son of Annie Lee Jones House and Alexander Macon House. He was born in Franklin County, North Carolina, and began to attend Popes Chapel in his earliest years. Lee, as he was known to his family, stayed home with his mother, and she taught him.

During World War I, Mrs. House resumed public school teaching and Lee went with her, entering the sixth grade. By that time he was a well known Latin scholar, having studied with both his mother and his aunt, Miss Lucy Jones, one of the first women students at Elon College. In 1920 he won a gold medal for being North Carolina's number one Latin student. He won this honor in an oration at Wake Forest College.

In the fall of 1925, Lee House entered Duke University on a full scholarship. In 1928 he graduated with honors and began to study for his Bachelor of Divinity degree, completing in less time than any other student to that time. Many offers were made to him to become a Methodist pastor, but he always refused. He then began to work on a master's degree in Sociology. During this period Lee went to Chicago Theological Seminary. A class in child psychology with the famous Dr. Bruno Bettelheim was to serve him well for the rest of his days.

While at Duke, a musician had suggested that Lee give up the ministry and devote himself to music. He had a fine voice, ranging from tenor to almost bass. He learned to play the clarinet at Duke and played in the marching band. He also sang opera well.

In 1933, he was called to the First Congregational Christian Church in Newport News, Virginia. This was a fine church, split by factions. Within three years the church had reunited, paid off its debt, purchased an organ and doubled its membership.

It was while here that he met his future wife, June Joy Hyatte. They were married June 9, 1936 which was

his 30th birthday. "By picking that day," he joked, "I never forget my anniversary." There was little danger of that as he had a photographic memory, usually preaching with only the briefest notes and performing wedding ceremonies totally from memory.

During his stay in Newport News, Lee organized the Peninsula Choral Society, a very active group, and he became the first secretary. He sang solo parts from *The Messiah* and *St. Matthews Passion* with this society, which is still active today.

Summer vacations were usually spent in New York City where he studied towards his doctorate in theology with three great clergymen: Karl Barth, Reinhold Heibuhner and Harry Emerson Fosdick. Repeatedly, he was offered large Northern churches or teaching positions which he turned down, "Because I'm a son of the South, and I'll remain in the South."

He was a man of vision, far beyond his time, and felt great empathy for black people. He single handedly re-opened Franklinton Institute on a part-time basis for summer and, later, winter studies. His efforts were highly successful, and he was greatly loved by the black community for his work with them. Today, Franklinton continues at Brick, North Carolina, where there is a memorial to him.

From 1937-39, Lee was pastor of the Portsmouth, Virginia Congregational Christian Church which had undergone a major split. Once more, he was successful in rebuilding the congregation.

In the winter of 1939, he moved to First Church, Richmond, Virginia, where he once again healed a breach and established a fine congregation. During the ten years he was there, he established a mother's club which spread beyond the church and gave aid to young mothers.

He was often a visiting lecturer at the Presbyterian Union Seminary, primarily teaching church music. A working member of the Richmond Musicians Club, he sang at as many weddings as he officiated. He and his wife both played in the fine Orchestra of First Church and the Richmond Symphony.

In 1944, his first and only son, Jonathan Weldon was born. Andrea Lee arrived in 1946, and Joyanna, in 1948. Lee truly loved his children and had a deep understanding of their needs.

For twelve years, he edited *The Christian Sun*, the *Southern Convention* weekly. He published many articles in many religions and sociology journals.

From 1950-53, Lee House was the minister of the Church of Wide Fellowship in Southern Pines. These were golden years, for the church was a strong one, well established and wealthy.

In the summer of 1952, the House family went to Claremont, California, where he lectured at Claremont College and later attended the General Council of Congregational Christian Churches. Lee made a keynote address at this council because he was the only southerner represented on the committee for church union among Congregational, Christian and United Reform churches.

Shortly after returning to Southern Pines, he suffered a heart attack and remained ill for the rest of his life. He died January 21, 1953, while watching the inauguration of President Eisenhower on T. V. His children were sitting around him.

Robert Lee House was a man of true greatness, physically big, personally warm. He can best be characterized by his epitaph:

ROBERT LEE HOUSE - who served God and man with the written and spoken word.

He was mourned by many. His Jewish friends planted two trees in Israel in his memory, his Catholic friends held masses for the repose of his soul. His black and white friends openly wept.



# Church Officers

## Secretary

M. C. Winston	1863-1872	Louie J. Williams	1910-1912
J. C. Winston	1873-	A. Macon House	1913-1917
Kenneth D. Holmes	1878-	Herbert G. Holmes	1918-1943
Robert L. Heflin	1878-	Corrinne Holmes	1943-1943 served unexpired term
M. E. Cates	1879-1883	Ethel M. Holmes	1944-1962
Louie J. Williams	1884-1887	Latrelle R. Perry	1963-1965
A. L. Allen	1888-1892	Vallie H. Cooke	1966-1967
Annie Lee Jones	1893-1897	Margaret P. Finch	1968-1969
Annie L. Jones House	1898-1909	Wyvette W. Hayes	1970-1975

## Treasurer

Willie Pearce	1863-	G. T. Perry Sr.	1954-1954
M. C. Winston	1879-1882	George Kearney	1955-1958 resigned
J. W. House	1882-1884	Bobby Winstead	1959-1959
M. C. Winston	1885-1885	Richard Holmes	1960-1961
A. L. Allen	1886-1888	G. T. Perry, Jr.	1962-1962
J. W. House	1889-	Vallie H. Cooke	1963-1963
R. R. Holmes	-1911 resigned	Lorena Y. Conyers	1964-1964
R. L. Conyers	1912-1917 resigned	G. T. Perry Jr.	1965-1965
J. W. Suitt	1918-1918	Bobby Winstead	1966-1970
C. C. Holmes	1919-	Tom Hayes	1971-1971
A. M. House	1936-1938	Bobby Winstead	1972-1972
J. W. House	1939-1952	Sammy Perry	1973-1975

## Organist

First record of an instrument was 1913 when the minutes showed the organ was cleaned out for \$2.00. The first time an organist was named was 1939, but memory of some of the present members gives us three additional names who served prior to 1939:

Annie Jones House

Irene Pergerson Holmes

Lola Conyers Fuller

First mention of an organist:

Ethel M. Holmes	1939-1942
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Then records indicate pianist:

Ethel M. Holmes	1943-1948
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Eleanor Holmes	1949-1952 resigned
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Shirley House	1953-1953
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Lorena Y. Conyers	1954-1955
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Shirley H. Winstead	1956-1960
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In January 1960, the church purchased a Hammond Spinet Organ and began to use 2 instruments

## Organist

Shirley H. Winstead	1960-1975
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## Pianist

Lorena Y. Conyers	1960-1964
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Dianne Pergerson	1965-1966
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Lorena Y. Conyers	1967-1973
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Nancy Herring	1974-1975
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Lorena Y. Conyers	1975-
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# Progress

1875 New Church (the present 1975 sanctuary)

1886 Church painted

1891 Purchase communion table  
Purchased 2 "Money baskets"  
Fasteners put on each church door

1896 New top put on church

1902 Steps built to the doors

1905 A number of trees planted on the yard

1906 4 new pillars installed - others repaired

1911 Change entrance from north to south end of the building and put a recess pulpit where doors are now  
COST: \$143.85  
Paint Church

1913 Organ cleaned out COST: \$2.00

1914 New Song Books

1923 Bible for church COST: \$10.00

1933 Gave Popes School House to R. L. Conyers (first motion was to sell for \$75.00)

1934 New roof COST: \$47.80 for roof, \$1.50 for nails

1937 Turned the church around Cost: \$75.00

.78	cement
1.50	labor
\$77.28	TOTAL

1938 Paint the church COST:	9 gallons of paint at \$2.65 per gallon	\$23.85
	17 gallons L. S. Oil at 1.00 per gallon	17.00
	1 quart of paint	.97
	Lock	1.31
	Labor	20.00
		\$63.13.

1945 Picture of *The Lord's Supper* by: Espa Suitt Evans

1949 Plans discussed for heating the church

1953 New roof  
Painted the inside walls COST: \$50.00  
New pews installed COST: \$1900.00  
Women's Missionary Society Formed

1954 Sold old communion set PRICE: \$25.00

- 1955 Wooded sign with church name erected beside the highway COST: \$10.00  
 Laymen's Fellowship active  
 New Modern Hymnals purchased COST: \$125.00  
 Tune Piano COST: \$15.00  
 Collected for old benches \$88.76
- 1956 Four Sunday School rooms built COST: \$2700.00  
 (1 on each side of altar and 2 on front of building with a vestibule)  
 Two Pulpit Chairs BY: Women's Missionary Society  
 One Communion Table BY: Espa Suitt Evans  
 Pipe for new driveway and pipe for handrailing COST: \$20.03  
 Purchased new Register Board COST: \$10.50  
 Had table built for Primary class COST: \$19.60  
 Purchased small chairs for Primary class COST: \$22.00  
 Purchased extra communion glasses to replace broken glasses COST: \$7.08
- 1957 Twelve chairs for Class #2 BY: Women's Missionary Society (Their cost - \$30.00)
- 1958 Painted old part of the church COST: Labor \$59.00 Paint \$65.02  
 Yard grading done COST: \$25.00  
 Choir platform BY: Vallie H. Cooke  
 Sold old benches PRICE: \$49.50
- 1959 Sold pulp wood for \$161.63  
 Cement walk at front door COST: \$165.00  
 Pews for Choir Loft  
 Two additional pews for the back of the church  
 Installed new green carpet  
 Choir members made white robes for Adult and Junior Choirs  
 Vallie H. Cooke made ministers black robe  
 New Pews (See Gift section - page 72)  
 Window fans (2) purchased  
 Draperies for Sunday School rooms COST: \$7.00  
 Floor furnace COST: \$199.45
- 1960 Purchased blonde Hammond Spinet Organ COST: \$1521.79  
 Light for Organ \$27.00  
 Repair to the roof COST: Labor \$9.80 Shingles donated by John Wright
- 1961 Railings at the front door BY: Women's Missionary Society  
 First deaconess elected to serve for 1962  
 Repairs to the roof COST: \$18.00
- 1962 Memorial Windows (See Gift section - page 72) (TOTAL COST: \$1851.28)  
 Church voted September 9, 1962, to become a member of the United Church of Christ  
 Constitution adopted September 9, 1962, (See Constitution - Page 53)  
 Addition to building (recessed choir loft, two Sunday School rooms, one on each side of choir loft, and an unfinished basement) COST: \$5000.00 plus  
 Two chairs (one at each end of the Communion table) BY: Corrinne Holmes  
 Paint for the church COST: \$88.90
- 1964 Communion Glass Filler BY: G. T. Perry, Jr.
- 1965 Repairs to the church (Sunday School rooms and completion of basement, also install rest rooms)  
 COST: not to exceed \$3000.00  
 Repair the roof and add gutters COST: \$250.00  
 Purchased 24 gallons of paint COST: \$3.50 per gallon TOTAL \$84.00  
 One 20" well, 51 feet deep COST: \$203.00



- 1967 New Song books (added to the ones we presently had)  
 Gravel on the drive COST: \$51.38  
 Brass push plates placed on the swinging doors COST: \$8.24
- 1968 Three gas heaters for Sunday School rooms COST: \$50.00 (one donated by Espa S. Evans)  
 Two Brass Urns BY: Bobby and Shirley Winstead, Luvene H. Spence (See Gifts section - page 72)  
 Candlelighters BY: Richard and Joyce Holmes (See Gift section - page 73)  
 Class # 2 purchased a tapestry depicting THE LORDS SUPPER  
 Church gave a "SPOT" of land to the colored Popes to square their lot for a new church
- Painted the sanctuary, some paint donated, balance COST: \$38.78  
 New picnic table built by Men's Fellowship with church purchasing materials  
 Land surveyed COST: \$35.00  
 Repair to electric organ COST: \$17.97  
 Remove double doors, cut archways, encase and install folding doors to two  
 Sunday School rooms on each side of entrance COST: \$602.63  
 Pews for Sunday School rooms COST: \$1796.42
- 1969 Tune piano COST: \$22.50  
 Enclose the well pump  
 Paint the church COST: \$378.00
- 1970 Standing fan BY: Mack S. House  
 Copying Machine BY: Mrs. T. N. Daughtry  
 Repairs to ceiling COST: \$8.65  
 Repairs to roof COST: \$11.35
- 1971 New roof put on the church COST: \$839.43  
 New burgundy Choir Robes purchased COST: \$388.63  
 Rewire furnace COST: \$45.00
- 1972 Repair the ceiling COST: \$86.14  
 Tune piano COST: \$23.40  
 Paint the church COST: \$260.00
- 1973 Installed oil heating system COST: \$1448.00 plus chimney at \$225.59  
 New blonde Baldwin Piano BY: Grace H. Southerland and Gwendolyn H. Parrish (See Gifts - page 73)  
 Daughtry Hall built: 28'X60' COST: \$11,300.00  
 New song books for Youth Choir COST: \$36.97
- 1974 3" insulation placed overhead in Sanctuary - purchased by Women's Missionary Society  
 Plaque for Daughtry Hall COST: \$30.28  
 Remove dead tree from cemetery COST: \$20.00  
 Presented 2 Bibles to Seniors
- 1975 Presented 5 Bibles to Seniors

## Gifts

- 1945 Picture of *The Lord's Supper* BY: Espa Suitt Evans
- 1956 Two blonde pulpit chairs BY: Women's Missionary Society  
 One blonde Communion table BY: Espa S. Evans - In memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Suitt and brother, Numa W. Suitt
- 1957 Twelve chairs for Class #2 BY: Women's Missionary Society

1958 Choir platform BY: Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Cooke

1960 Shingles for Roof Repair - By: John Wright

1959 One pew BY: Bob Conyers Family - In memory of Robert L. Conyers, wife #1, Priscilla W. Conyers and wife #2, Oza W. Conyers

Kirby Vacuum Cleaner BY: Mr. and Mrs. Fleming Morton - A memorial to his mother, Mrs. Lelia C. Morton

A United States flag and Christian flag BY: Vallie H. Cooke

Burgundy Altar and Table Scarves BY: Women's Missionary Society

Secretary table and chair BY: Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard Conyers

A rug BY: Corrinne Holmes

Praying Hand Plaque BY: Mrs. William Collie and Mrs. Riley Pounds - In memory of our loving parents, P. Ben and Ida J. May

One Pew BY: Espa S. Evans - A memorial to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Suitt and brother, N. W. Suitt

One Pew by: Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Grisson

One Pew BY: Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard Conyers

One Pew BY: Hayward B. Conyers

One Pew BY: Julian Pergerson and Family

One Pew BY: Fred H. Cooke

One brass vase - By: Lorena Conyers

1961 Railings at front steps BY: Women's Missionary Society

1962 Round Stained Glass Window behind Altar - In memory of John W. and Mary House and children - presented by their descendants

#### MEMORIAL WINDOWS IN SANCTUARY

In honor of Otha and Espa Evans by Otha Evans Jr., William Evans and families

In memory of B. J. Conyers - By Mrs. B. J. Conyers, Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Dugan

In memory of Earnest L. Moore Family

In memory of the R. R. Holmes Family

#### MEMORIAL WINDOWS IN SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOMS

In memory of R. M. Bailey, Audrey F. Bailey - By children

In memory of Rufus and Isabella Brown and our daughter, Edwina BY: Mr. and Mrs. Rufus M. Brown Jr.

A memorial to our Parents, R. L. (Bob) Conyers and Oza Williams Conyers

In memory of Rufus B. Wright, Oza C. Wright BY: Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Wright

In Memory of Beulah Hight Conyers By: Hayward B. Conyers and J. Howard Conyers

In Memory of Tom Perry - In honor of Adelle W. Perry

In Memory of Mallie and Ida Perry

In Memory of the Frank and Louisa Holmes Family

In Memory of Cecil C. Holmes and Roy R. Holmes

In Memory of George and Florence Pergerson By: Julian C. Pergerson

1963 Two chairs (1 at each end of the Communion table) In Memory of Corrinne Holmes

1964 Communion glass filler BY: G. T. Perry, Jr.

1968 One gas heater BY: Espa S. Evans

Tapestry depicting *The Lord's Supper* By: Class # 2

1969 One brass urn - In Memory of Annie B. House By: Bobby and Shirley H. Winstead

One brass urn - In Memory of Herbert G. Holmes By: Luvene H. Spence

Altar Set (cross and 2 candles) In Memorial Tillman Davis Moore by his family

Two brass collection plates - In honor of Maye Williams by her children

One Flower stand - In Memory of Tom Perry by his family

One flower stand - In honor of M. H. Hayes family  
Candlelighters - In Memory of Miss Ethel M. Holmes BY: Richard And Joyce Holmes  
Brass Communion Set - In loving Memory of Ethel M. Holmes BY: Richard and Joyce M. Holmes

1970 Standing Fan BY: Mack S. House

Copying Machine BY: Mrs. T. N. Daughtry

Brick enclosed lighted Bulletin Board beside highway - In loving Memory of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. House  
BY: Rufus, Mack S., Woodrow, John Henry, Lonnie and George House, sons

1973 Blonde Baldwin Piano - Given in loving Memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Haswell BY: Grace  
H. Southerland, Gwendoly H. Parrish

1974 3" Insulation overhead in Sanctuary - BY: Women's Missionary Society

1975 Blonde Lectern in Daughtry Class Room - Given in Memory of Mrs. Irma Kearney by her daughters,  
Mrs. Ora K. Bailey and Mrs. Etha K. Stephenson

## Church Membership

### YEAR 1858

Wiley G. Winston  
Hellerd Winston  
Jordon Ketlett  
Laben Ketlett  
John Harris  
Davis Clapton  
Harrison White  
M. C. Winston  
Willis Pearce  
John C. Usry  
James W. Fuller  
Paton Harrison  
Robert H. Pulley  
Henry S. Fuller  
Harris Clapton  
Henry May  
J. B. Blackley  
John P. Huskey  
Ruffin Tharrington  
Joseph Clapton  
Leonard Fuller  
William A. Winston  
Davis B. Biver  
Pulascus H. Tharrington  
Alexander Evans  
I. D. Kettle  
Crafford Sandlin  
Samuel Evans  
Thomas Martin  
John May  
William Crodder  
Isaiah Alley  
Daniel Fuller  
Robert A. Jones  
Joseph Harris  
John Catlett  
Issac N. Green  
W. E. Martin, Jr.  
James A. Fuller  
James C. Williams  
T. R. Morton  
Andrew Morton  
Panadious C. Winston  
John T. Rodgers  
S. C. Blackley  
Benjamin Mason  
John G. Vaughn  
Marcillas Fowler  
James W. Ball  
Eleja T. Grissom  
Junious Hight  
J. F. Carson  
H. Harris  
John W. Jones  
Vamuvell Mathes  
Robert C. Stone  
H. E. Pearce  
Junius M. Hight  
William P. Penington  
A. J. Powell  
Thomas Y. Cooke  
William House  
Thomas Ayscue  
A. J. Moten  
Joshua Penington  
W. Davis Griffin  
A. H. Catlett  
Alexander Moore  
Frances A. Allen  
Wesley R. Jones

William T. Allen  
Elisha T. Evans  
Richard Holden  
Jonatus C. Winston  
James M. Winston  
Robert F. Green  
Eraslus Williams  
David Williams  
George Catlett  
Benjamin J. Brown  
James H. Harris  
George D. Kearney  
Presley Parks  
William Capel  
J. W. House  
M. L. Winston  
Wiley Holmes, Jr.  
W. D. Jones  
Anderson Harris  
D. K. Holmes  
David VanBlaragan  
Zackriah Harp  
Harrison Mgee  
William Holmes  
Priscillia Weathers  
Rasey Clapton Jones  
Sarah Clapton  
Rosanah Blackwell  
Thesby Barr  
Wilkeg Tharrington  
G. Gittle Fuller  
Elizabeth Clapton  
Mary Champion  
Mary Clapton  
Susan P. Phillips  
Elizabeth Wright  
Lucinda J. Harris  
Joanah S. Duke  
Susan Ball  
Lydia Wethers  
Alice Green  
Mary Weathers  
Martha Pearce  
Ann Russ  
Frances Moten  
Melissa A. Williams  
Martha Evans  
Jane White  
Elizabeth Winston  
Cary Harris  
Nancy Clapton  
Amanda G. Holding  
Sarah A. Gill  
Amanda Hasville  
Mary P. Hasville  
Elizabeth Perry  
Elizabeth Usry  
Mary Preddy  
Margaret Strother  
Frances Pearce  
Lucendia Jones  
Martha Tharrington  
E. P. Cole  
Martha A. Wiggins  
Permelia H. Winston  
Rebecca Pearce  
Lucretia Mare  
Martha J. Tharrington  
Wiley Fuller  
Mary E. Catlett  
Ann Kerney

Virginia Tilley  
Mary E. Tharrington  
Mary Fuller  
Ann Williams  
Martha Champion  
Priscilla May  
Helen Ball  
Rebecca Mason  
Penelope Merrit  
Sarah Dent  
Susan Kerney  
Selester Hayes  
Elizabeth May  
Harriet Grissom  
Elizabeth Hasville  
Sarah J. Harris  
A. F. Tharrington  
Francis Fuller  
Elizabeth Bragg Pearce  
Elizabeth Card  
Emely Cooke  
Sarah C. Clapton  
Sally Fuller  
Susan Fuller  
Mary A. Winston  
Cary Ann Griffin  
Nancy Price  
Martha Price  
Francis Rever  
Lucia Ann Harris  
P. Beller Usry  
Selester R. Kittle  
Mary Wethers  
Nancy Wethers  
Elizabeth H. Winston  
Sarah Williams  
Mary Bridges  
Amanda Holmes  
Lavenia Henley  
May Williams  
Pioena Capel  
Sarah C. Holmes  
Eliza Harris  
Francis Evans  
Martha C. Evans  
Lucy Blackley  
Isabelle E. Boudden  
Francis Winston  
Mary A. Jones  
Amanda Fuller  
Susan Mason  
Celester Holmes  
Susan Ross  
Harriet Tharrington  
Lucy Ross  
Amanda Catlett  
Priscilla Wethers  
Laura E. Jones  
Safrona Harris  
Lucinda Ball  
Lucy F. Ball  
Rhoda J. Fuller  
Mary R. Ball  
Harriet Pretty  
Martha Fuller  
Louisa Levester  
Lucy C. Winston  
Polley A. Moten  
Mariado Fuller  
Nancy Moten  
Margaret Kerney  
Martha A. Winston

Eliza Patterson  
Virginia Winston  
Susan M. Ball  
Louisa Kerney  
Mary S. Usry  
Mary E. Kerney  
Francis Fowler  
Sarah Fuller  
Nancy Harris  
Eliza Holmes  
Priscilla Kerney  
Sallie Ball  
Penny Grissom  
Martha Perry  
Eliza Williams  
Mary F. Blackley  
Catharine Moten  
Harriet Tharrington  
Parthenia Alley  
Pilsey Francis York  
Mary Jan Blackley  
Mary Wright Ball  
Emily Clapton  
Sarah Harp Gilliam  
Abbey Alley  
Martha Harris Catlett  
Lucy M. Hite  
Marcisa Moten  
Martha E. Catlett  
Marzian Penington  
Levena Levister

### COLORED ROLL 1867

Catherine Green  
Robert Jones  
Sarah Green  
Mary Jackson  
Judy Kearney Holding  
Eliza Jones  
Alice Jones Ray  
Nancy Wright  
Jessa Holding  
Luisa Mitchell  
Frank Kearney  
Helen Auston  
Abraham Mitchell

### YEAR 1880

Elisha Y. Evans  
Thomas Winston  
Thomas Allen  
Francis Allen  
David VanBlaregan  
W. T. Pennington  
William Holmes  
Alexander Moore  
Thomas Card  
Jenjo Welsy Card  
Thomas Ayscue  
Joshua Penington  
E. O. Satterfield  
Joseph Pergerson  
Walley S. Holmes  
John W. Harris  
Junius Wright  
C. G. Holmes  
William W. Holmes  
Augustus House  
A. V. Williams  
Mollie Y. Alley

Ophelia F. Alley  
Louisa McGhee  
Bettie McGhee  
James B. Cash  
H. McGhee Davis  
Annie L. Jones  
A. S. Allen  
Alexander House  
Howell M. Cooke  
Richard R. Holmes  
A. W. Holmes  
Braxton H. Holmes  
Junius M. Hight  
Lonnie L. Hight  
Mary A. Penington  
Rosa Jones  
Polly Preddy  
Lucinda Jones  
Celestia Kettle  
Sarah Gill  
Carry Ann Griffin  
P. H. Winston  
Alice Green  
Lucinda Ball  
Lucy F. Ball  
Rhoda J. Holmes  
Amanda Holmes  
Mary R. Ball  
Martha Fuller  
Louisa Levister  
Polly A. Evans  
Margaret Holden  
Lucy Blackley  
Susan M. Ball  
Louisa Jones Holmes  
Emma Jones  
Corrine Jones  
Lucy F. Jones  
Laura Jones Harris  
Vee C. Jones  
Mollie Jones  
Elizabeth McGhee  
Martha E. Cates  
Priscilla Weathers  
Darnell Usry  
Ellen Usry  
Mamie Williams  
Esper A. Suit  
Nancy Williams  
Dora C. Holmes  
Celice B. Card  
Jockey Capell  
Brady Allen  
Mary E. Kearney  
Susan Kearney Brinkley  
Molly B. Alley  
Sally Pauls  
Pennia M. Grissom  
Martha Perry  
Eliza Williams  
Sophia Hernt  
Parthenia Alley  
Sally A. Wright  
Sally McGhee  
Nancy McGhee  
Martha Crowder  
Sallie Stroud  
S. S. Merrit  
Emma McGhee  
Susan Haswell  
Nancy Ayscue  
Emma Winston Perry



Jane Harris  
 Carry Harris  
 Martha E. Williams  
 Martha A. Harris  
 Jane McGhee  
 Mary H. Green  
 Dorah A. Champion  
 Mollie Cooke Allen  
 Indiana V. May  
 Elizabeth Wright  
 E. P. Turner  
 Winnie Weathers  
 Myra Morton  
 Frances Long  
 Martha Catlett  
 Susan May  
 Elizabeth VanBlorgan  
 Sarah Parish  
 Deliah Pennington  
 Joana Pernell  
 Sarah Mason  
 Pariler Woodlief  
 Araminta Crowder  
 Melcinda Lynam  
 Patsy White  
 Nancy Holmes  
 Harriet C. Catlette  
 Mary Y. Thomas  
 Maggie A. Holden  
 Laura V. Wright Ball  
 Susan Ball  
 Narcissa Tharrington  
 Frances Morton  
 Melissa A. Williams  
 James White Wright  
 Amanda Haswell  
 Mary A. Davis  
 Elizabeth Usry  
 Francis Prisco  
 Elizabeth May  
 Mary E. Catlett  
 Virginia R. Tilley  
 Virginia E. McGhee  
 Mary E. Holden  
 Nancy Haswell  
 Mary Tharrington  
 Mary Fuller  
 Priscilla Pittman  
 Helen Batt  
 Penelope Merit  
 Celestia Hayes  
 A. F. Tharrington  
 Martha White  
 Roan Capel  
 Eliza Harris  
 Billie Capel  
 Elizabeth Bouden  
 Amanda Rogers  
 Harriet Tharrington  
 Priscilla Catlett  
 Louisa May  
 Sarah Gilliam  
 Susan Rose  
 Emeline Kearney  
 Adeline Paschal  
 Mary Williams  
 S. S. Pearce  
 Virginia C. May  
 Brady S. Winston  
 Ann Allen  
 Ready Worthem  
 Ella O'Neil

Adiline Morton  
 Lucy H. Heflin  
 Maggie A. Ball  
 Mary A. Ball  
 Jennie Hicks  
 Mary Penington  
 Sarah Fuller  
 Martha Fuller  
 Ella Williams  
 Betty Usry  
 Indian Davis Lowery  
 Mary House  
 Victoria House Wilson  
 Lucy Capel  
 Hattie Rodgers  
 Etta Rodgers  
 Minnie Catlett

#### YEAR 1892

Penny A. Grissom  
 Eliza Harris  
 Hixie J. Harris  
 Amanda Haswell  
 Sallie A. Hight  
 Annie Hight  
 Maggie A. Holden  
 Amanda Holmes  
 Dora C. Holmes  
 Louisa Holmes  
 Nancy Holmes  
 Mary House  
 Isabella House  
 Lucy L. Morton  
 Lucinda Jones  
 Emma Jones  
 Corrine Jones  
 Lucy F. Jones  
 Annie L. Jones  
 Lavinie Kearney  
 Louisa Levister  
 Mary E. Long  
 Sarah Mason  
 Nancy McGhee  
 Virginia C. McGhee  
 Francie Morton  
 Ella O'Neal  
 Martha Perry  
 France Pierce  
 Sallie Rawls  
 Amanda Rodgers  
 Etta Rodgers  
 Narciss Tharrington  
 Mary Tharrington  
 Mary T. Thomas  
 Nancy Warmuth  
 A. F. Tharrington  
 Ellen Usry  
 Dardnell Usry  
 Bettie Usry  
 Albito W. Breedlove  
 Priscilla Conyers  
 Louie Williams  
 Eliza Williams  
 P. H. Winston  
 Winnie Weathers  
 Elizabeth J. Wright  
 Edna C. Kearney  
 Mollie McGhee  
 Irma McGhee  
 Florine McGhee

Ethel Holmes  
 Harriet Tharrington  
 Susan E. Furgurson  
 Nannie Blackley  
 Priscilla Merritt  
 Celistra Hayes  
 A. L. Allen  
 William Capel  
 Laybon Catlett  
 George Catlett  
 Thomas Brinkley  
 George R. Fuller  
 James H. Harris  
 Wiley G. Holmes  
 R. R. Holmes  
 A. W. Holmes  
 Braxton Holmes  
 C. F. Holmes  
 J. W. House  
 Augustus House  
 Alex M. House  
 Wesley R. Jones  
 George D. Kearney  
 W. D. Kearney  
 Andrew J. Morton  
 Jno. T. Rodgers  
 Jno. C. Usry  
 J. W. Wellons  
 Thomas J. Winston  
 T. S. Catlett  
 C. H. Scott  
 C. L. Furgerson  
 W. D. Jones  
 T. A. Haswell  
 Wilson Card  
 Rufus Morton  
 Elijah Morton  
 J. M. Hight  
 John Catlett  
 Henry G. Bragg  
 William Brown  
 Charlie Blackley  
 G. D. Leavister  
 T. J. Alley  
 A. M. Evans  
 David Canblarican

Ann Allen  
 Mollie J. Allen  
 Nancy Askew  
 Lucinda Ball  
 Lucy T. Ball  
 Susan M. Ball  
 Maggie A. Fuller  
 Lucy Blackley  
 Susan Brinkley  
 Martha Catlett  
 Minnie Evans  
 Martha Crowder  
 Pollie A. Evans  
 Jackie Evans  
 Martha Fuller  
 Sarah A. Gill  
 Parthenia Alley  
 Elizabeth Usry  
 Priscilla Catlett  
 Martha Parks  
 Mary S. Askew  
 Lovella J. Rawles  
 Minnie G. Thomas  
 Lodema Harris

Mary E. Lowry  
 Rosa House  
 Hadie Morton  
 Benjie Cora Kearney  
 Lelia Catlett  
 Lollie McGhee

#### YEAR 1900

A. L. Allen  
 J. W. House  
 George Davis Kearney  
 James Harris  
 George Catlett  
 George R. Fuller  
 R. R. Holmes  
 H. W. Holmes  
 Braxton Holmes  
 C. F. Holmes  
 A. M. House  
 W. D. Jones  
 W. R. Jones  
 Andrew J. Morton  
 G. S. Catlett  
 Aldridge Catlett  
 T. N. Catlett  
 G. D. Leavister  
 W. S. McGhee  
 Alexander Morton  
 Fleming Fuller  
 Rufus Morton  
 Elijah Morton  
 Napoleon House  
 Bennie May  
 Ruffin McGhee  
 Frank McGhee  
 L. D. Catlett  
 M. L. Winston  
 Columbus E. Caprel  
 Burley A. Fuller  
 Wesley J. Holmes  
 William Catlett  
 John H. May  
 Rom W. House  
 Rufus M. Brown  
 Clyde Holmes  
 Furney Perry  
 W. M. Perry  
 G. C. Perry  
 Earnest L. Moore  
 R. L. Conyers  
 B. J. Blackley  
 Mollie J. Allen  
 Lucinda Ball  
 Lucy F. Ball  
 Susan M. Ball  
 Maggie A. Fuller  
 Lucy Blackley  
 Susan Brinkley  
 Martha Catlett  
 Minnie Evans  
 Martha Crowder  
 Pollie A. Evans  
 Martha Fuller  
 Hixie J. Alley  
 Sallie A. Hight  
 Annie Hight  
 Dora Holmes Lawrence  
 Louisa Holmes  
 Lucinda Jones  
 Emma Jones  
 Corrine Jones

Lucy F. Jones  
 Annie L. House  
 Mary House  
 Isabella Brown  
 Lucy L. Morton  
 Labinie Kearney  
 Sarah Mason  
 Nancy McGhee  
 Virginia McGhee  
 Francie Morton  
 Martha Perry  
 Francis Pierce  
 Sallie Rauls  
 Narciss Tharrington  
 Mary Tharrington  
 Mary T. Thomas  
 Nancy Warmouth  
 A. F. Tharrington  
 Louie J. Williams  
 Eliza Williams  
 Winnie Weathers  
 Elizabeth J. Wright  
 Edna C. Bynum  
 Mollie McGhee  
 Irma Kearney  
 Florence Blackley  
 Ethel Holmes  
 Harriet Tharrington  
 Nannie Fuller  
 Priscilla Merrit  
 Parthenia Alley  
 Priscilla Catlett  
 Mary S. Ayscue  
 Leulla Henley  
 Minnie G. Holden  
 Lodema Harris  
 Mary E. Lowery  
 Rosa House  
 Hadie Morton  
 Benjie C. Moore  
 Lelia Catlett Morton  
 Tollie McGhee Haswell  
 Kate Usry  
 Blanche Catlett  
 Susan A. Henley  
 Martha F. Morton  
 Lola Fuller  
 Audry Fuller  
 Kate Morton  
 Eula Catlett  
 Elsie Ball  
 Minnie Fergusson  
 Effie Morton  
 W. C. Catlett  
 V. Harris Mitchell  
 Corrinne Holmes  
 Flora House  
 Mary L. Hurt  
 Lizzie C. Barrett  
 Elvie L. Allen  
 Fannie B. Allen  
 Bessie Caprell  
 Oza Caprell  
 Lallie S. Fuller  
 Myrtle L. Allen  
 Lessie L. House  
 Annie E. Morton  
 Corrinne McGhee  
 Arabella Brown  
 Maude Fuller  
 Zelma Holmes  
 Oza Williams Conyers  
 Malissa Brown

Meda Evans  
 Lillie Catlett  
 Bessie Caprell  
 Maggie C. Suitt  
 Maggie A. Bragg

#### ROLL FOR 1904

J. W. House  
 George D. Kearney  
 James H. Harris  
 George Catlett  
 George R. Fuller  
 R. R. Holmes  
 A. W. Holmes  
 Braxton Holmes  
 C. F. Holmes  
 A. M. House  
 W. R. Jones  
 Andrew J. Morton  
 G. S. Catlett  
 Aldridge Catlett  
 T. N. Haswell  
 John Catlett  
 G. D. Leavister  
 W. S. McGhee  
 Alexander Morton  
 Rufus Morton  
 Elijah Morton  
 Nadie Morton  
 Fleming Fuller  
 Napoleon House  
 Bennie May  
 Ruffin McGhee  
 M. L. Winston  
 Columbus E. Caprell  
 Burley A. Fuller  
 Wesley J. Holmes  
 William H. Catlett  
 John H. May  
 Rom W. House  
 Rufus M. Brown  
 Clyde Holmes  
 Furney Perry  
 W. M. Perry  
 G. T. Perry  
 E. L. Moore  
 R. L. Conyers  
 B. J. Blackley  
 A. L. Allen  
 G. R. Fisher  
 H. S. Holmes  
 L. B. Perry  
 T. B. Thomas  
 Rufus B. Wright  
 Willie May  
 J. W. Suitt  
 W. W. Sherron  
 R. B. Fergusson  
 W. G. Bragg  
 Cecil Holmes  
 James T. Holding  
 Charlie Fisher  
 Lee Morton  
 Jimmie Winston  
 Hurley Evans  
 Charlie Evans  
 Alex Fowler  
 Lucinda Ball  
 Lucy Ball  
 Susan M. Ball  
 Maggie A. Fuller

Lucy Blackley  
 Susan Brinkley  
 Martha Catlett  
 Minnie Evans  
 Martha Crowder  
 Pollie A. Evans  
 Jackie Evans  
 Martha Fuller  
 Hixie J. Alley  
 Sallie A. Hight  
 Annie Hight  
 Dora H. Lawrence  
 Louisa Holmes  
 Lucinda Jones  
 Emma J. Jones  
 Corrinne E. Jones  
 Lucy F. Jones  
 Annie L. House  
 Mary House  
 Isabella Brown  
 Lucy L. Morton  
 Lavinie Kearney  
 Sarah Mason  
 Nancy McGhee  
 Virginia McGhee  
 Martha Perry  
 Frances Pierce  
 Sallie Rawls  
 Mary Tharrington  
 Mary T. Thomas  
 A. T. Tharrington  
 Lorrie J. Williams  
 Winnie Weathers  
 Edna C. Byrum  
 Mollie McGhee May  
 Irma Kearney  
 Florine Blackley  
 Ethel Holmes  
 Harriet Tharrington  
 Priscilla Merritt  
 Parthenia Allen  
 Priscilla Catlett  
 Mary S. Ayscue  
 Luella Henley  
 Lodema Harris  
 Mary E. Lowery  
 Rosa House Fergusson  
 Katie M. Moyer  
 Benjie K. Moore  
 Lelia Morton  
 Tollie Haswell  
 Kate Usry  
 Blanche Catlett Davis  
 Susan H. Henley  
 Martha Morton  
 Lola Fuller  
 Audry Fuller  
 Kate Morton  
 Eula Catlett  
 Elsie McGhee  
 Minnie Ferguson  
 Effie Morton  
 W. C. Catlett  
 V. Mitchell  
 Corrinne Holmes  
 Flora House  
 Mary L. Hunt  
 Lizzie C. Barrett  
 Bessie Caprell  
 Oza C. Wright  
 Lallie G. Fuller  
 Lessie L. House  
 Myrtle L. Allen

Annie E. Morton  
 Corrinne McGhee  
 Arabella Brown  
 Maude Fuller  
 Zelma Holmes  
 Oza Williams Conyers  
 Malissa Sandling  
 Meda Evans Woodlief  
 Mattie Evans  
 Lillie Catlett  
 Mollie J. Allen  
 Elvie L. Allen Hunt  
 Fannie Belle Allen  
 Lizzie Evans  
 Minnie S. Holding  
 Mattie H. Cooke  
 Kate Sherron  
 Bessie Caprell  
 Maggie A. Suitt  
 Maggie A. Bragg  
 Bertie Caprell  
 B. A. Winston  
 Ida B. Conyers  
 Minta M. Williams  
 Susie D. Allen  
 Nellie Perry

#### ROLL FOR 1914

J. W. House  
 James W. Harris  
 Geo R. Fuller  
 R. R. Holmes  
 A. W. Holmes  
 C. F. Holmes  
 A. M. House  
 W. R. Jones  
 A. J. Morton  
 G. D. Leavister  
 Rufus Morton  
 Elijah Morton  
 Fleming Fuller  
 Napoleon House  
 Bennie May  
 Burley A. Fuller  
 Wesley J. Holmes  
 William H. Catlett  
 Rom W. House  
 Rufus M. Brown  
 Furney M. Perry  
 W. M. Perry  
 E. L. Moore  
 R. L. Conyers  
 B. J. Blackley  
 M. L. Winston  
 J. T. Holding  
 A. L. Allen  
 G. R. Fisher  
 H. G. Holmes  
 L. K. Perry  
 T. B. Thomas  
 Rufus B. Wright  
 J. W. Suitt  
 W. W. Sherron  
 R. B. Ferguson  
 Cecil Holmes  
 Lee Morton  
 Hurley Evans  
 Jimmie Winston  
 Charlie Evans  
 Alexander Fowler  
 W. M. Jones  
 Numa W. Suitt

Harold Holmes	Emma Perry	Kate Morton	C. C. Holmes
W. A. Fuller	Espa Suitt	Corrine Holmes	Alexander Fowler
G. W. Pergerson	Mary Ella Lowery	Oza Wright	N. W. Suitt
Peter E. Junior	Lizzie Pergerson Pearce	Edna K. Byrum	G. H. Pergerson
W. S. Fuller	Eula May	Zelma H. Strother	Loomis Suitt
Alpha M House	Allie Morton	Minnie T. Holden	G. T. Perry
R. M. Bailey	Myrtle Cooke	Mattie T. Cooke	Hobson Moore
Loomis T. Suitt	Maggie Hayes	Maggie A. Suitt	J. W. House
Thomas Perry	Rosa McGhee House	Ida Conyers Snook	Walter Perry
Hobson Moore	Essie Conyers	May Perry Williams	Bennie G. Perry
J. H. May	Roas Pergerson	Irene P. Holmes	J. H. May
James Ellis	Gertie Conyers	Emma Perry	B. J. Conyers
John H. House	Maggie Sherron	Esper Suitt Evans	Tillman Moore
H. Morton	YEAR 1943	Allie Morton	Roy Holmes
Jessie Sherron	Elijah Morton	Myrtle C. Freeman	Ralph Moore
J. D. Kearney	Bennie May	Maggie M. Hayes	Frank Fuller
Enoch Conyers	B. A. Fuller	Rosa McGhee House	Everette Moore
Walter Perry	R. L. Conyers	Rosa P. Langston	Carlton Wright
Benny Perry	H. G. Holmes	Gertie W. Conyers	Louis Conyers
John H. May	J. W. Suitt	Willie May Vaughan	Sam Hight
Otha Holding	C. C. Holmes	Mary Riggan	Macon Bailey
Robert House	Alexander Fowler	Emma Fuller	Garland Hight
Lucy F. Ball	N. W. Suitt	Blanche Conyers Suitt	Robert Conyers
Susan M. Ball	G. H. Pergerson	Marjorie Mtichell	Robert Lee House
Maggie Fuller	Alpha House	Vallie Holmes	James Sherron
Lucy Blackley	Loomis Suitt	Louise Pergerson	Colvin Sherron
Minnie Evans	Tom Perry	Iola Perry Grissom	Sidney George Bailey
Jackey Evans	Hobson Moore	Mable Moore	Ernest Moore
Hixie J. Alley	J. W. House	Mattie Holmes	Joe Mitchell
Sallie A. Wright	Walter Perry	Lee Ida Sherron	William Sherron
Annie Hight	Bennie Perry	Halcy Wright Conyers	Graham Holmes
Dora C. Lawrence	J. H. May	Amy Fuller	Linwood Moore
Louisa Holmes	Otha Holden	Nell Holmes	Otha Evans, Jr.
Emma Jones	B. J. Conyers	Margaret Conyers Hayes	A. B. Brown
Lucy Jones	Henry Fuller	Mary Conyers	William Lee Evans
Corrinna Ray	Tillman Moore	Lessie Sherron	Henry Franklin Holmes
Annie House	Roy Holmes	Virginia Brown	Richard Holmes
Mary House	Ralph Moore	Emma Bailey	J. C. Pergerson, Jr.
Isabella Brown	Frank Fuller	Evelyn Conyers	Willard Suitt
Lucy L. Morton	Everette Moore	Lena Conyers	Howard Conyers
Lavinie Kearney	Carlton Wright	Beulah Hight Conyers	Gordon Moore
Nancy McGhee	Louis Conyers	Meta B. Pergerson	R. M. Bailey
Francis Pierce	Sam Hight	Lelia Catlette Morton	H. B. Conyers
Sallie Rawls	Macon Bailey	Carolyn Moore	Shem Kearney
Mary T. Thomas	Garland Hight	Margaret Holmes	Corrine Jones Ray
Louie Williams	Robert Conyers	Lallie Morton	Annie Jones House
Edna Byrum	Burley Mitchell	Adelle Perry	Mollie McGhee May
Mollie May	Robert Lee House	Edna Ross	Ethel M. Holmes
Erma Kearney	James Sherron	Correne Wheelous	Audrey Fuller Bailey
Florine Blackley	Colvin Sherron	Lottie Hight	Kate Morton
Ethel Holmes	Sidney G. Bailey	Espa Suitt Evans	Corrine Holmes
Harriet Tharrington	Ernest Moore	Dorothy Holmes	Oza Wright Estes
Priscilla Merritt	Joe Mitchell	Kathleen Wheeler	Edna Kearney Byrum
Priscilla Catlett	William Sherron	Annie House	Zelma Holmes Strother
Lodema Harris	Graham Holmes	R. M. Bailey	Minnie Thomas Holden
Mary Lowery	Linwood Moore	Iva Cyrus	Mattie Thomas Cooke
Maggie Suitt	Otha Evans, Jr.	Roselle Pearce	Maggie Suitt
Bettie Caprel	A. B. Brown	Eleanor Holmes	Ida Conyers Snook
Ida Conyers Snook	William Lee Evans	Ann Holmes	May Perry Williams
Minta Conyers	W. H. Morton	Mary Lettie Brown	Irene Pergerson Holmes
Susie Allen	Henry F. Holmes	Mary Champion	Emma Perry
V. C. Jones	Richard Holmes	Frances Grissom	Esper Suitt Evans
Ida Fuller	J. C. Pergerson, Jr.	Margaret Perry	Allie Morton
Norma Bragg	Williard Suitt	Bobbie Lou Pergerson	Myrtle Cooke Freeman
Venie Harker	Howard Conyers	Sarah Holmes	Maggie May Hayes
Victoria Fuller	Gordon Moore	Shirley Anne House	Rosa House Ferguson
Florence Pergerson	Corrinna Jones Ray	Peggy Moore	Rosa McGhee House
Ida Perry	Annie Lee Jones House	YEAR 1948	Alice Conyers Dugan
Erma Sherron	Mollie McGhee May	Bennie May	Gertie Winston Conyers
Victoria Holding	Ethel M. Holmes	J. W. Suitt	Mary Riggans
Mable Fuller	Audrey Fuller Bailey		Emma Fuller
May Perry			Blanche Conyers Suitt
Irene Holmes			



Vallie Hight Holmes  
 Louise Perry Pergerson  
 Lola Perry Grissom  
 Mabel Mitchell Moore  
 Mattie Pergerson Holmes  
 Lee Ida Mitchell Sherron  
 Halcy Wright Conyers  
 Amy Moore Fuller  
 Margaret Conyers Hayes  
 Mary Conyers  
 Lessie Daniel Sherron  
 Virginia May Brown  
 Emma Bailey  
 Lena Conyers  
 Beulah Hight Conyers  
 Meta Bailey Pergerson  
 Lelia Catlette Morton  
 Carolyn Moore  
 Margaret Holmes  
 Lallie Morton  
 Adelle Wheelous Perry  
 Lottie Hight  
 Hazel Harris Evans  
 Dorothy Holmes  
 Kathleen Pergerson Wheeler  
 Annie Brummitt House  
 Roselle Hilliard Pearce  
 Eleanor Holmes  
 Ann Holmes  
 Mary Lettie Brown Stephens  
 Mary Allen Champion  
 Frances Grissom  
 Margaret Perry  
 Bobbie Lou Pergerson  
 Sarah Holmes  
 Shirley Anne House  
 Peggy Moore  
 Rosa Pergerson Langston  
 Mary Bridges Conyers  
 Myrtle Pully Perry  
 Janie Dement Perry  
 Louise Grissom  
 Bettie Dement

#### YEAR 1950

Bennie May  
 J. W. Suitt  
 Alexander Fowler  
 N. W. Suitt  
 Loomis Suitt  
 Tom Perry  
 Hobson Moore  
 J. W. House  
 Walter Perry  
 Bennie Perry  
 B. J. Conyers  
 Tillman Moore  
 Roy Holmes  
 Ralph Moore  
 Carlton Wright  
 Louis Conyers  
 Macon Bailey  
 Garland Hight  
 Robert Conyers  
 Robert Lee House  
 James Sherron  
 Colvin Sherron  
 Sidney Bailey  
 Ernest Moore  
 Joe Mitchell  
 William Sherron  
 Otha Evans, Jr.  
 A. B. Brown  
 William Lee Evans  
 Henry F. Holmes  
 Richard Holmes  
 J. C. Pergerson, Jr.  
 Carlton Wright, Jr.  
 Hal Kearney  
 Joe Collins  
 Willard Suitt  
 Howard Conyers  
 Gordon Moore  
 H. B. Conyers  
 Shem Kearney  
 G. T. Perry  
 Kenneth Perry  
 Avon Fuller  
 George Kearney  
 Bennie G. Perry  
 Annie Jones House  
 Mollie May  
 Ethel Holmes  
 Audry Bailey  
 Kate Morton  
 Corrine Holmes  
 Oza Estes  
 Zelma Strother  
 Minnie Holden  
 Mattie Cooke  
 Maggie Suitt  
 Ida Snooks  
 May P. Williams  
 Irene Holmes  
 Emma Perry  
 Esper Evans  
 Allie Morton  
 Maggie Hayes  
 Rosa Pergerson  
 Alice Conyers Dugan  
 Gertie W. Conyers  
 Mary Riggan  
 Emma Fuller  
 Blanche Conyers Suitt  
 Rosa McGhee House  
 Vallie Holmes  
 Louise Pergerson  
 Lola Grissom  
 Mable Moore  
 Mattie Holmes  
 Lee Ida Sherron  
 Halcy Conyers  
 Amy Fuller  
 Margaret Conyers Hayes  
 Mary Conyers  
 Lessie D. Sherron  
 Virginia Brown  
 Emma Walker  
 Lena Lewis  
 Beulah Hight Conyers  
 Meta B. Pergerson  
 Sarah Moore  
 Kay Suitt  
 Lelia Morton  
 Margaret Davis  
 Lallie Morton  
 Adelle Perry  
 Hazel Evans  
 Kathleen Wheeler  
 Annie House  
 Roselle Pearce  
 Ann Collins  
 Mary Allen Champion  
 France Floyd  
 Margaret Finch

Bobbie Fuller  
 Sarah Whitfield  
 Shirley Winstead  
 Peggy Moore  
 Mary Bridges Conyers  
 Myrtle Perry  
 Janie Perry  
 Louise Bragg  
 Bettie Wrenn  
 Margaret Kearney  
 Lorena Yeargin Conyers  
 Bessie Fuller Evans  
 Nell Kearney  
 Sandra Evans  
 Jo Ann Perry  
 Dianne Pergerson  
 Sarah Collins Moore  
 Kay King Suitt

#### YEAR 1957

Loomis Suitt  
 Bennie May  
 Alexander Fowler  
 G. T. Perry  
 Hobson Moore  
 John W. House  
 Walter Perry  
 Bennie G. Perry  
 Bennie J. Conyers  
 Tillman Moore  
 Ralph Moore  
 Louis Conyers  
 Macon Bailey  
 Robert Conyers  
 Colvin Sherron  
 Ernest Moore  
 Joe Mitchell  
 William Sherron  
 Otha Evans, Jr.  
 Alvin B. Brown  
 William Lee Evans  
 Henry Franklin Holmes  
 Richard Holmes  
 J. C. Pergerson, Jr.  
 Hal Kearney  
 Joe Collins  
 Willard Suitt  
 Howard Conyers  
 Gordon Moore  
 Haywood Conyers  
 Shem Kearney  
 G. T. Perry, Jr.  
 Kenneth Perry  
 Carlton Wright  
 Avon Fuller  
 George Kearney  
 Bennie Green Perry  
 Allen Douglas Perry  
 Samuel Roy Perry  
 Charlie Pergerson  
 Harvey L. Grissom  
 Claude Everette Floyd  
 W. Dorsett Finch  
 Bobby R. Winstead  
 Julius Wheeler  
 Mollie McGhee May  
 Ethel M. Holmes  
 Audrey Fuller Bailey  
 Kate Morton  
 Corrine A. Holmes  
 Zelma Holmes Strother

Minne Thomas Holden  
 Maggie Kearney Suitt  
 Ida Conyers Snooks  
 May Perry Williams  
 Irene Pergerson Holmes  
 Emma Perry  
 Esper Suitt Evans  
 Allie Morton  
 Maggie May Hayes  
 Alice Conyers Dugan  
 Gertie Winston Conyers  
 May Riggans  
 Emma Fuller  
 Blanche Conyers Suitt  
 Vallie Hight Holmes Cooke  
 Louise Perry Pergerson  
 Lola Perry Grissom  
 Mable Mitchell Moore  
 Halcy Wright Conyers  
 Margaret Conyers Hayes  
 Lessie Daniel Sherron  
 Virginia May Brown  
 Emma Bailey Walker  
 Lena Conyers Lewis  
 Meta Bailey Pergerson  
 Lelia Catlett Morton  
 Lallie Morton  
 Rosa McGhee House  
 Adelle Wheelous Perry  
 Hazel Harris Evans  
 Kathleen Pergerson Wheeler  
 Annie Brummitt House  
 Roselle Hilliard Pearce  
 Ann Holmes Collins  
 Mary Allen Champion  
 France Grissom Floyd  
 Margaret Perry Finch  
 Bobbie Pergerson Fuller  
 Shirley House Winstead  
 Peggy Moore  
 Mary Bridges Conyers  
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 Janie Dement Perry  
 Louise Grissom Bragg  
 Bettie Dement Wrenn  
 Margaret Pearce Kearney  
 Lorena Yeargin Conyers  
 Bessie Fuller Evans  
 Nell Kearney McIntyre  
 Sandra Evans  
 Joan Perry  
 Dianne Pergerson  
 Kay King Suitt  
 Edna Lloyd Privette

#### YEAR 1966

Loomis Suitt  
 John House  
 Walter Perry  
 Bennie G. Perry  
 Ralph Moore  
 Louis Conyers  
 Macon Bailey  
 Robert Conyers  
 Colvin Sherron  
 Ernest Moore  
 Joe Mitchell  
 William Sherron  
 Otha Evans, Jr.  
 Alvin Brown  
 William Lee Evans



Richard Holmes  
 J. C. Pergerson, Jr.  
 Hal Kearney  
 Joe Collins  
 Howard Conyers  
 Gorgon Moore  
 Haywood Conyers  
 Shem Kearney  
 Ben G. Perry, Jr.  
 Allen D. Perry  
 Samuel R. Perry  
 Charlie Pergerson  
 Harvey Grissom  
 W. Dorsett Finch  
 Bobby R. Winstead  
 Carlton Wright  
 Julian Pergerson  
 Dennis Brown  
 Gene Bragg  
 Ira Preddy  
 Glenn Bailey  
 Al Conyers  
 Clark Finch  
 David Williams  
 Robert Dement  
 Milton (Tom) Hayes, Jr.  
 Raymond Gilliam  
 Milton H. Hayes, Sr.  
 T. N. Daughtry, Pastor  
 Emerson Herring  
 Homer Mitchell  
 Elton Mitchell  
 Zollie May  
 William A. Strother  
 Neal Strother  
 G. T. Perry, Jr.  
 David Evans  
 Woodrow House  
 Rev. Raymond Phelts  
 Ethel M. Holmes  
 Kate Morton  
 Minnie Thomas Holden  
 Maggie Kearney Suitt  
 Ida Conyers Snook  
 May Perry Williams  
 Irene Pergerson Holmes  
 Emma Perry  
 Espa Suitt Evans  
 Allie Morton  
 Alice Conyers Dugan  
 Mary Riggans  
 Emma Fuller  
 Blanche Conyers Suitt  
 Vallie Hight Holmes Cooke  
 Louise Perry Pergerson  
 Louise Grissom Bragg  
 Lola Perry Grissom  
 Mabel Mitchell Moore  
 Halcy Wright Conyers  
 Margaret Conyers Hayes  
 Virginia May Brown  
 Emma Bailey Walker  
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 Dianne Pergerson House  
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 Meta Bailey Pergerson  
 Margaret McGhee Moore  
 Rosa McGhee House  
 Debra Evans  
 Ferbie Preddy  
 Ferbie Jean Preddy  
 Joyce May Holmes  
 Olivia Ray Bailey  
 Barbara Alford  
 Sue Privett  
 Joan Collins  
 Betty Mitchell  
 Gail Finch  
 Dawn Moore  
 Debbie Williams  
 Emily Hudson Williams  
 Nonie Mae Harris House  
 Jean Kearney Lowery  
 Gaye Pegram Perry  
 Donna Blackley Moore  
 Wyvette Wall Hayes  
 Debra Anne Hayes  
 Annie Hayes  
 Iola Daughtry  
 Annie Lee Hayes Gilliam  
 Beulah Lassiter  
 Maggie O'Neal  
 Sadie Mitchell Herring  
 Wanda Herring  
 Linda Mitchell  
 Elsie Pearce May  
 Seretha O'Neal Strother  
 Lessie Jackson Mitchell  
 Eula Mae Wright  
 Linda Wright Payne  
 Jane Starr Conyers  
 Carol Collins  
 Nancy Herring  
 Roxanne Bragg  
 Phyllis Jean Bragg  
 Odell Phelts

#### YEAR 1975

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 Joan Collins Ball

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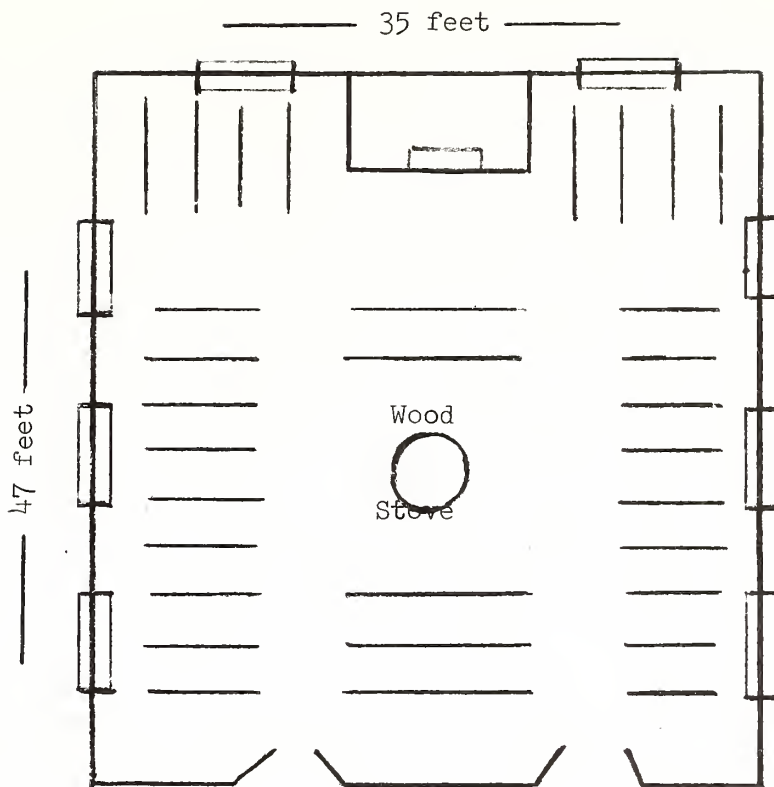
## Popes Chapel Christian Church

Presumed to be Late 1800's

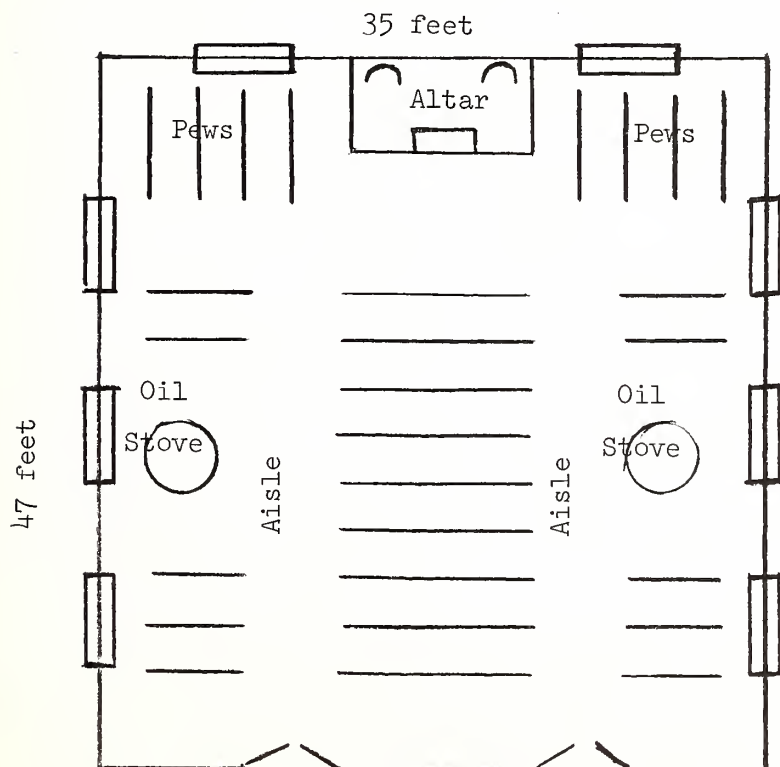
## Floor Plan - 1875

By: Shirley H. Winstead

This is a Floor Plan showing what is believed to be the appearance of the church in 1875. A number of the members recall the one wood stove before the change to 2 oil stoves.

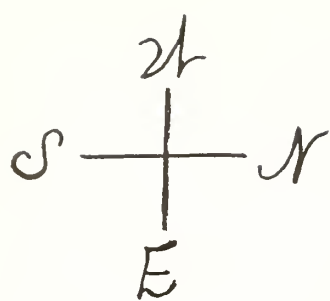


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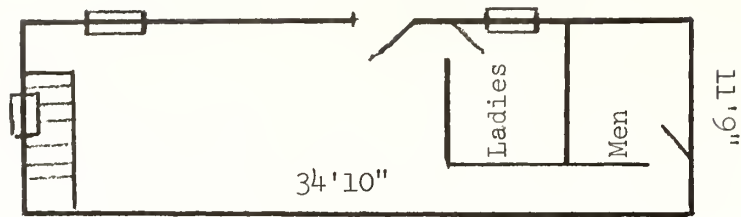


This is a Floor Plan showing the Altar, pews, stoves and the two aisle church as best we can remember it before the different stages of renovation were begun.

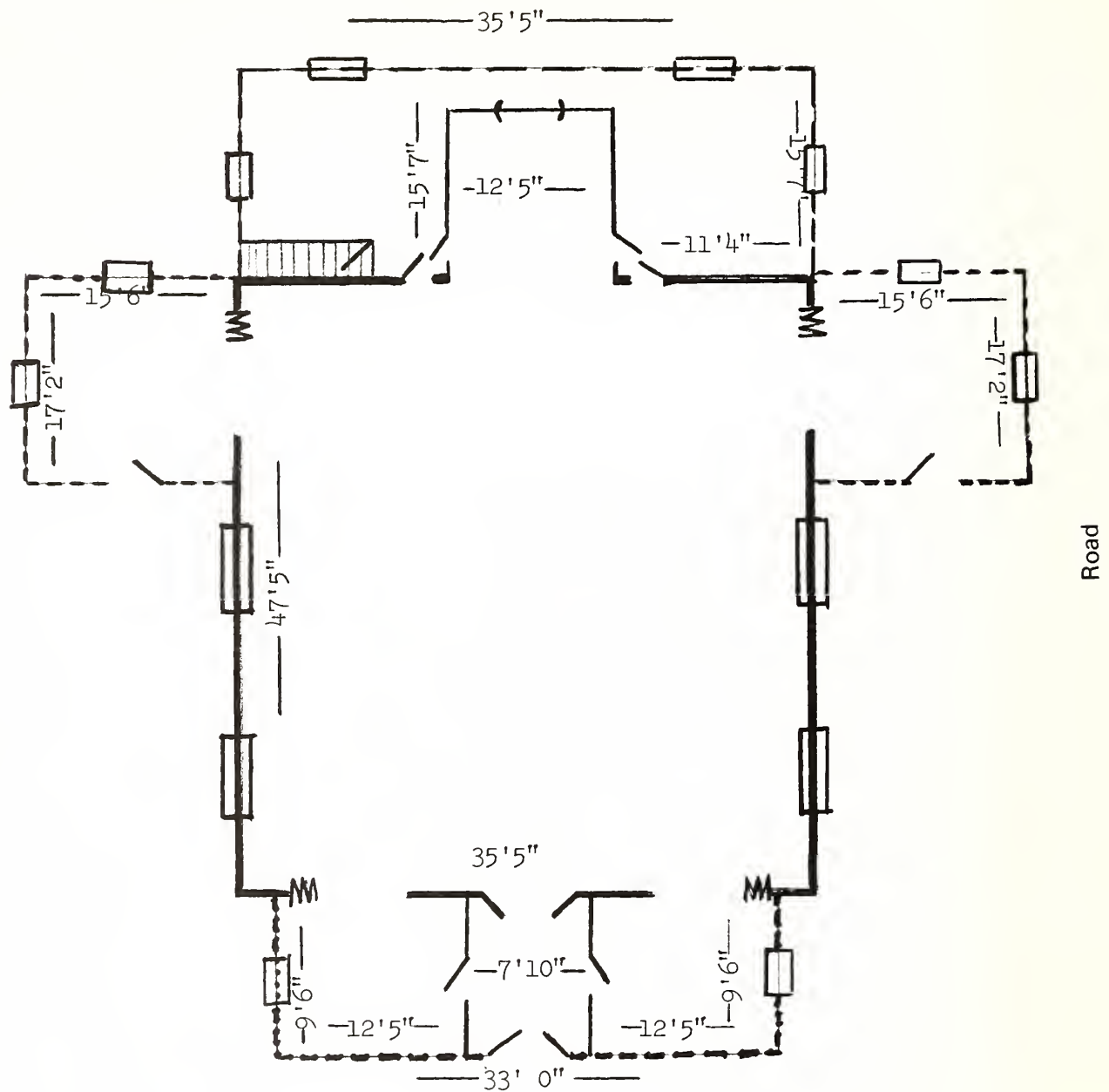




1975 Seating Capacity 260 persons



Cemetery



===== Original Building

--- 1955 addition - Cost \$2700.00

-- 1962 addition - Cost \$5000.00 plus

1965 Basement completed, Rest Rooms installed - Cost Not to exceed \$3000.00

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1975







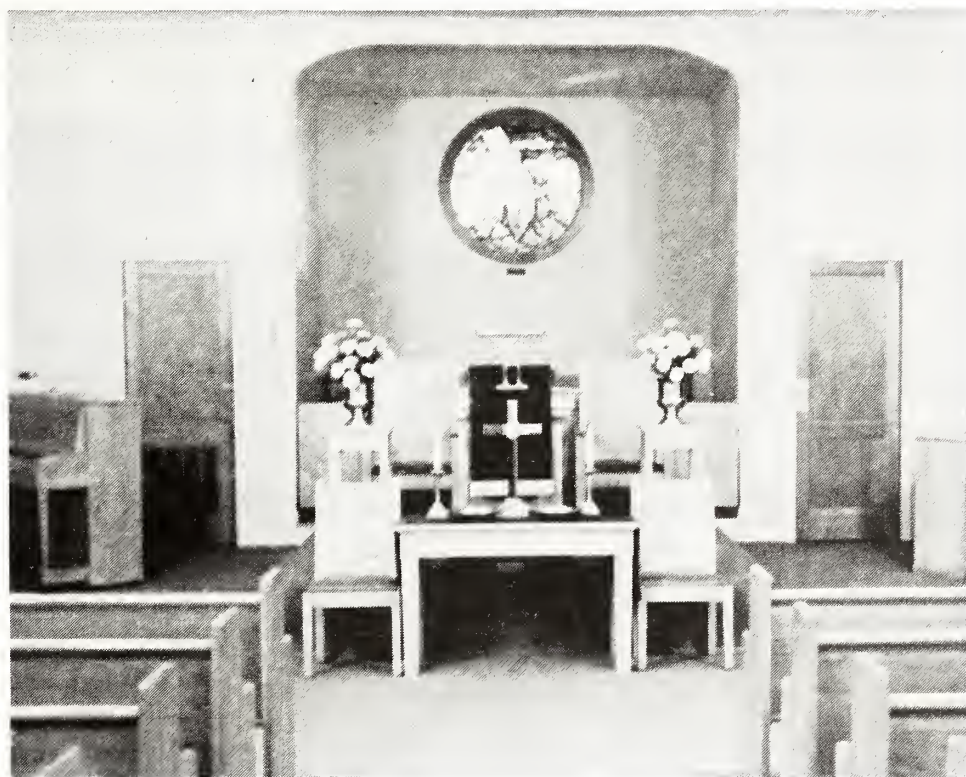
Front of church with an "Open door policy"



Back of Church and Daughtry Hall



Back of Church



View as we enter front of church





Altar



View from the Altar showing front door



## Daughtry Hall

Rev. T. N. Daughtry served this church faithfully in the true spirit of Godliness from 1963 until his death July 19, 1970. During his tenure as pastor he had two dreams that he worked diligently toward, one - to see a fellowship building constructed on the grounds and two - that a history of Popes Chapel be compiled and published for members, friends and future descendants.

Therefore, we felt it only fitting that this building should be dedicated to his memory as The T. N. Daughtry Fellowship Hall to be known as Daughtry Hall. It was dedicated April 28, 1974, with Dr. Clyde Fields presiding.



Rev. T. N. Daughtry



Daughtry Hall was built in the Fall and Winter of 1973/74 at a cost of \$11,300.00. The dimensions of this building are 60 feet long and 28 feet wide. It is equipped with a complete kitchen, fully supplied, one complete restroom and one "roughed-in" restroom. It has a large fireplace, a piano and a seating capacity for 64 dinner guest.







Fireplace





Fully equipped kitchen

#### COMMUNION SETS

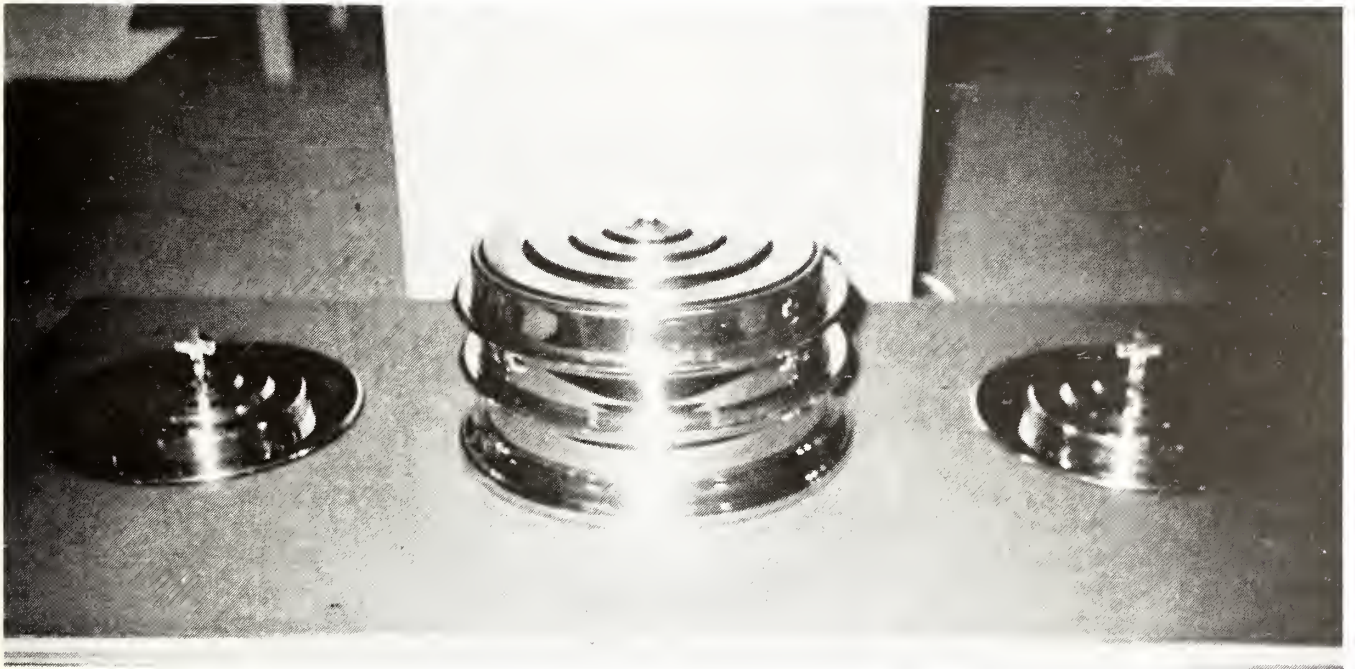


Insofar as we were able to determine, this is the first Communion Set. The inscription on the Silver Pitcher reads: Popes Chapel Christian Church, 1887. Each silver goblet is inscribed PCCC. This set was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Conyers in 1954.





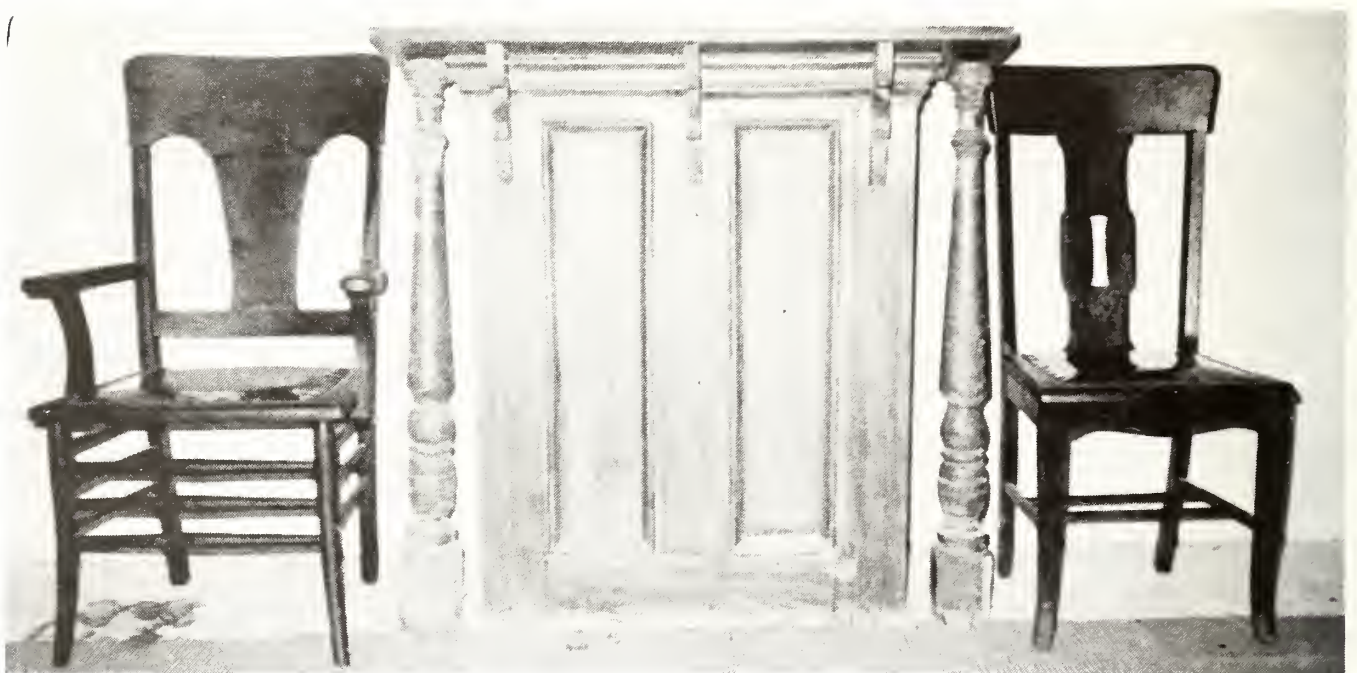
We were unable to determine the date that this set was purchased, only that it was used during the first half of this century.



This lovely Brass Communion Set which we are presently using was a gift by Richard and Joyce M. Holmes in Memory of Ethel M. Holmes.

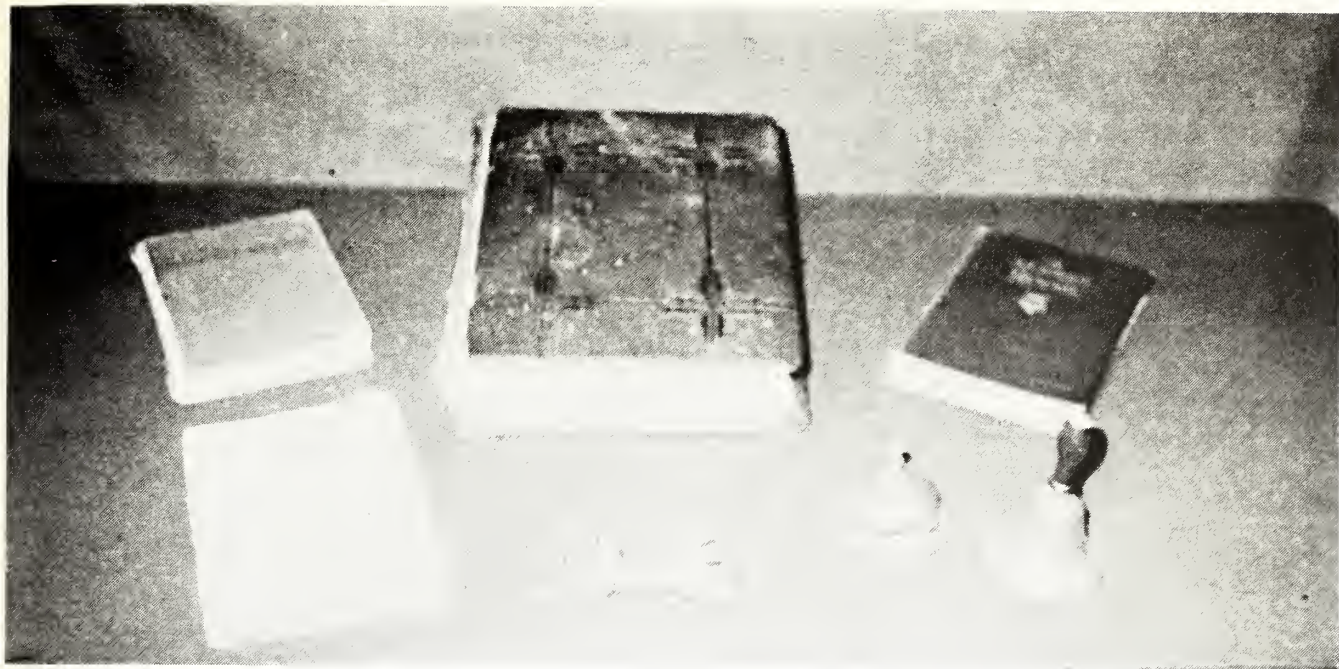


The first communion table (in Daughtry Hall) (The second communion table was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Pergerson). (The third communion table graces the Sanctuary today.



The original altar and chairs, used until 1959.





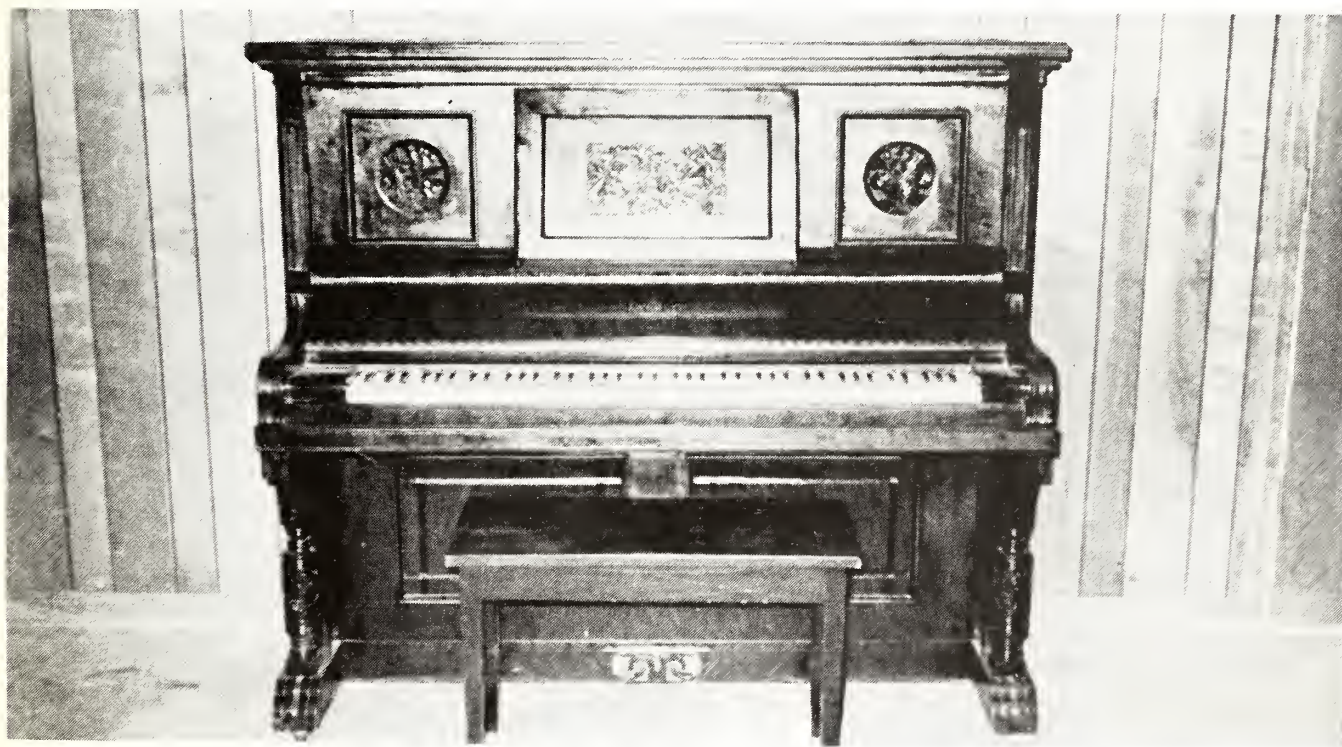
This Bible purchased in 1923 at \$10.00

New Song Books 1914 (believed to be the soft back Cokesbury which was later replaced with the hard back edition) Pictured on left

New Modern Hymnal purchased in 1955 at \$125.00 for unknown quantity. Top right. Additional books purchased in 1967.

Two bells used to announce the end of Sunday School classes

Glass door knobs from the old front doors.



Everette piano purchased around 1940. Moved to Daughtry Hall.





#### COLLECTION PLATES

Left: Wicker Baskets with green felt lining in bottom.  
Right: Brass with red velvet lining. Replaced in 1969.



Front row, left to right - Kyle Perry, Chad Ball and Margo Smith.  
Second row - Michelle Moore, Leanna Winstead, Terry Kearney  
and Lenora Williams.



## An Average Sunday Attendance For Church 1975



Left to right: Ricky Bragg, Steven Hayes, Mike Gilliam, Dave Moore



Left to right: Front row - Carol Collins, Debra Hayes and Jane Conyers. Back row - Phyllis Bragg, Barry Evans and Roxanne Bragg.



Left to right: Front Row - Teresa Lowery and Vivian Lowery.  
Second Row - Ray Gilliam and Vann Bragg.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Front row - Ann H. Gilliam, Jean E. Smoke, Jamie Watkins, Bessie F. Evans, Donna B. Moore, Jean K. Lowery, Ann H. Collins, Emily H. Williams; Second row - Shirley H. Winstead, William L. Evans, Lorena Y. Conyers, Wyvette W. Hayes, Louise G. Bragg, Peggy L. Moore, Joan C. Ball; Standing - Bobby Winstead, Joe Collins, Gordon Moore, Richard Holmes, Raymond Gilliam, Tom Hayes, Sammy Perry and Howard Conyers.





Left to right: Front row - Irene P. Holmes, Mae P. Williams, Adelle W. House, Meta B. Pergerson, Annie B. Hayes, Vallie H. Cooke; Second row - Mildred W. Mitchell, Mabel M. Moore, Margaret M. Moore, Halsy W. Conyers; Third row - Hayward Conyers, Lola P. Grissom, Ben Perry, Janie D. Perry, Louise P. Pergerson, Charlie Pergerson; Standing - Milton Hayes, Homer Mitchell, John W. House, Ralph Moore, Julian Pergerson, Louise C. Culler and Ralph Culler.



Left to right: Front row - Jean K. Lowery, Mabel M. Moore, Ann H. Gilliam; Second row - Lorena Y. Conyers - Pianist, Vallie H. Cooke, Ann H. Collins, Wyvette W. Hayes, Donna B. Moore, Emily H. Williams; Back row - Peggy L. Moore, Tom Hayes, Howard Conyers, Richard Holmes and Shirley H. Winstead, Organist.

# Bicentennial Service

Popes Chapel United Church of Christ  
November 23, 1975  
11:00 A. M.

Dr. Clyde Fields		Presiding Minister
Prelude		Shirley Winstead
Acolytes		Steven Hayes - Dave Moore
Call to Worship	THE CHURCHES ONE FOUNDATION	Choir
Invocation		
* Hymn 172	FAITH OF OUR FATHERS	Congregation
Welcome and Announcements		
Morning Prayer		
* Hymn 164	I LOVE THY KINGDOM LORD	Congregation
Worship with Tithes and Offering		
	(Music: From Christian Hymnary Copyright 1891)	
*Doxology		Congregation
Offertory Prayer		
Anthem	ANNIVERSARY HYMN	Choir
Scripture Luke 4:16-22		
Sermon WE HAVE THIS MINISTRY		
* Hymn 176	HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION	Congregation
** Benediction		
* Response Brd. 252	SAVIOR AGAIN TO THY DEAR NAME	Choir
* Congregation please stand		

We urge everyone to stay and join us for lunch and fellowship.



# Song Service

1:30 P. M.

Rev. Ralph Culler

Presiding Minister

Opening Theme

TIS THE OLD TIME RELIGION

Congregation

Participants: Popes Chapel Choir

Rev. Ralph Culler

Jane Conyers

The Melodies of Faith

Glenn Royal Quartet

Flat Rock Baptist Quartet

The Delightful Four

Special request from the congregation

Closing Hymn 35

ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDERS

Congregation

Benediction

Rev. Culler

NOTE: Be sure and visit our History Room in Daughtry Hall and view some relics of our past.

The flowers which grace our Altar today are placed here by Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gilliam in memory of our departed brothers and sisters in Christ who worked for the growth and survival of this church through the years.

## INVITATIONS EXTENDED FORMER PASTORS AND/OR WIVES

Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Andes

Rev. and Mrs. S. E. Madren

Rev. and Mrs. T. D. Sutton

Mrs. E. M. Powell

Mrs. T. N. Daughtry

Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Phelts

Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Sigler

Atlanta, Georgia

Elkton, Virginia

Luray, Virginia

Henderson, North Carolina

Clayton, North Carolina

Butner, North Carolina







